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VILLA'S WIFE TRYING TO GET HUSBAND TO RESIGN COMMAND GERMANS EXPECTED TO LAUNCH ANOTHER CAMPAIGN SOON

BANDIT GENERAL'S COUNCIL OF WAR AT CHIHUAHUA DOMINATING NOTE IN MEXICAN SITUATION BUT PROCEEDINGS ARE SECRET.

MAY DESTROY PEARSON WORKS FORD SHIP LEAVES KIRKWALL

Citizens of El Paso County Protest Against Carranza Invasion Being Allowed to Start From This Side of Rio Grande River—Other Mexican News.

By the Associated Press.
El Paso, Tex., Dec. 17.—The proceedings of the Villa council of war at Chihuahua City, reported in a conference by arrivals from the Villa capital last night was the dominating note in the Mexican situation here today. The proceedings of the council are held secret.

Persons in the confidence of the Villa family of Juarez said today that only three were made prisoners of General Francisco Villa, who is at the capital, was endeavoring to persuade General Villa to resign his command and cross the border.

Representatives of the Madera company, limited, of the Pearson syndicate, whose employees are held as hostages for the alleged non-payment of wages to Mexican workers, were informed today that all of the thirty American employees of the company arrived yesterday at Chihuahua as prisoners of General Villa.

Arrivals from Chihuahua City last night had reported that only three were made prisoners of General Villa. The information today made it appear that the remaining twenty-seven who escaped to the woods had been captured. Representatives of the Pearson company have been given until tomorrow to meet the wage demands estimated at 30,000 pesos. The other Villa demand for \$500,000 under threat of destruction of property, cannot be met, the local representatives say.

This demand, according to Juarez officials was based on a loan of 1,500,000 pesos by Villa to the Pearson company when Villa paper currency was quoted at thirty-five cents for the redemption of burned bridges.

One million pesos were used for repairs. Villa now demands the return of the entire loan in gold or silver at the original rate of exchange, although the Villa paper currency is now worthless. Unless a compromise is reached Villa may execute his threat, it is feared, of destroying the Pearson properties in Chihuahua representing millions of dollars.

It was reported in Juarez that Col. Hipolito Villa, financial agent of the Villa government, who remained today from Chihuahua City, brought with him 2,000,000 pesos of the new Villa currency, minted from confiscated bullion with which to buy supplies for the Villa army.

The Carranza consulate announced today that in conjunction with General Obregon it was working to secure the allegiance of eighteen Villa generals and officers with commands now at Chihuahua City. A Carranza force which recently passed through this city in bond to Nogales, Sonora, is enroute now to Marfa, Texas, according to the consulate advisers. Other Carranza troops will be shipped in bond to a point near Fort Hancock, Texas, it was declared.

Sheriff Peyton B. Edwards and several other citizens of El Paso county, today protested to Governor Ferguson against any Carranza troop movements leading to an invasion from this side.

WEATHER
A WEEK FROM TODAY IS XMAS!

VOLUNTARY FORECAST.
By Isidor Block, D. O. S., F. R. Met. S., Optician and Meteorologist for The Morning News.

Fair; somewhat warmer.

Local Readings.
Readings for the twenty-four hours ending at 7 o'clock last night. Maximum temperature 51½ at 5 p. m., minimum 34 at 7 a. m., barometer 29.95, humidity .55, wind average 166 miles, highest 13 miles an hour at 8 p. m.

Government Forecast.
By the Associated Press.
Washington, Dec. 17.—Texas, Louisiana and Arkansas—Fair Saturday and Sunday.

Oklahoma—Fair Saturday and Sunday, not much change in temperature.

Germany Threatens to Drive Allies Out of Saloniki

By the Associated Press.
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By the Associated Press.
London, Dec. 17.—The German patrol boat Hun was wrecked on the island of Langeland in the Baltic sea, according to a dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph company from Copenhagen. The bodies of several German officers were found on the shore, the dispatch adds.

TEUTONIC TROOPS BEING CONCENTRATED WHERE THEY CAN BE SHIFTED EASILY TO EITHER THE EASTERN OR WESTERN FRONT.

VIENNA DOES NOT BELIEVE THERE IS ANY DANGER OF TROUBLE WITH THE UNITED OVER THE ANCONA INCIDENT BUT THAT TERMS WILL BE REACHED BETWEEN GOVERNMENTS.

By the Associated Press.
London, Dec. 17.—While the diplomats in Greece and Rumania are engaged in new deals which will decide the next step in the Balkan operations there is increasing evidence that the Germans, ever restive, are preparing new strokes on both the eastern and western fronts or at least a concentration of their forces to strike when conditions are propitious.

Dispatches from Petrograd note German activity, particularly in the Dnieper district, which would accord with the German ambition to reach the line of the Dnieper river, while all accounts from neutral countries mention a continued movement of men and guns to the west. In the latter theatre of operations it seems only a question at what points the offensive is to be taken.

Many persons believe that the Germans having found the lines in Poland and Arois nits too hard to crack contemplate moving in the Saint Mihiel region, where their line penetrates to the river Meuse and where there has been considerable activity during the last few days. The only thing argued against this is that the river has been at flood and the French have been systematically destroying the bridges as they are built. Thus far, however, there has been little more done than the usual mining and bombing operations and aerial fighting in the west.

In the Balkans military operations are temporarily at a standstill except in Montenegro and Albania, where the Austrians and Bulgarians are carrying on mountain warfare against King Nicholas' troops and the Serbians. A big battle is in progress in Albania between the Serbs and Bulgarians. At last reports no decision had been reached.

It is said, however, that the Bulgarians found the Serbians had been retreating and were driven back with heavy losses.

It is possible that the Serbian counter attacks were made possible by supplies having reached them from the Italians who landed on the Albanian coast and who are trying to open communication with the Serbs through that country. The Italians, it is understood, already have landed 80,000 men.

The Austro-Hungarian government's reply to the American note demanding a disavowal of the sinking of the Italian steamer Ancona, the punishment of the officer in command and indemnity for the American lives lost in the disaster, is unacceptable to the American government inasmuch as it does not accede to any of the demands.

In consequence of a discussion of the reply by President Wilson and his cabinet another communication more vigorous than the first note will be dispatched to Austria-Hungary.

While it will give some of the facts which have been requested, it is said that it will request prompt acquiescence in the original demands.

Vienna seems somewhat more optimistic than Washington appears does over the situation. A dispatch from Vienna says the impression was gathered at the foreign office that the reply would lead to a stage in which the American claims could be given the attention which was due.

The dispatch added that at the American embassy the belief seemed to prevail that the danger of a rupture of relations was over, as the situation was susceptible of solution.

Chancellor Koenig is expected to blow up the Weiland canal, Paul Koenig, former head of the secret service of the Hamburg-American line, and Richard Emil Lyendecker have been arrested in New York by agents of the department of justice.

The Ford peace ship has been permitted to sail from Kirkwall, Scotland, where it had been held up by the British authorities, forays the dispatch. The steamer must return to Kirkwall, however, to discharge the alleged contraband which the British authorities claim they found in her cargo.

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All Happy Over Coming Event



One of the familiar sights in Washington for several weeks has been the above small party, composed of Mrs. Norman Galt, Mrs. H. W. Bolling, her mother, and President Woodrow Wilson. As can be seen in the above photograph, all seem happy, the cause being the wedding of Mrs. Galt and the president, which takes place tonight.

Woodrow Wilson Third President to be Married During Term of Office

By the Associated Press.
Washington, Dec. 17.—Woodrow Wilson will be the third president to be married during his term of office. President Tyler was the first and President Cleveland was the other. Mr. Tyler, like Mr. Wilson, was left a widower during his term. Two years after, in 1844, in New York city he was married to Miss Julia Gardiner, who then presided at the white house functions during the last year of her husband's term of office.

Grover Cleveland's marriage to Miss Francis Folsom took place in the Blue Room of the executive mansion. It was comparatively a private affair for the invited guests included only the cabinet members, their wives and a few friends and relatives of the couple.

President Wilson's wedding is the third in his family since he took office. The first white house wedding of his term was that of his second daughter, Jessie Woodrow Wilson, to Francis Rowes Sayre, and the other was that of his youngest daughter, Eleanor, to Secretary McAdoo.

The president now has two grandchildren, the little son of the Sayres and the baby daughter of the McAdoes.

The president and his bride both are Virginians by birth. He was born at Staunton 59 years ago this month and she was born at Wytheville, the daughter of Judge and Mrs. William H. Bolling, and was one child in a large family. Two sisters, Mrs. Alexander H. Galt and Miss Bertha Bolling, and three brothers, John Randolph, Richard Wilmer and Julian B. Bolling, live in Washington. Rolfe E. Bolling, another brother, is manager of the

Commercial bank at Panama, and another, Dr. William E. Bolling, lives in Louisville, Ky. A third sister, Mrs. M. H. Maury, lives in Anniston, Alabama. The bride's family has been prominent in the history of Virginia and she herself is a descendant of Pocahontas, the Indian chief's daughter who married John Rolfe.

Since 1896 Mrs. Galt has lived in Washington, belonging to none of the distinct social sets, but active in charity and philanthropy in her own way. From her first husband she inherited control of a prosperous mercantile business of which she has been credited with now being the active head and many tributes are paid to her ability. But activity in business, her friends say, never has diminished her interest in a woman's world. She loves flowers, books and out door recreations. After the president's courtship began she took up golf and on many Saturday afternoons they were seen together on the links at some one of the country clubs about the capital, or at other times taking long motor drives over the Virginia hills or along the shore roads in lower Maryland.

Often they took picnic luncheon from the white house on their journeys and ate it by the roadside.

In the white house circle the bride quickly found her place. She plays the piano, sings and loves poetry, and when in the intimacy of the family, the president often has read aloud his favorite poems, as is his custom, she is said to have been one of the most interested hearers.

Miss Margaret Wilson, the president's eldest daughter, and Miss Helen

Woodrow Bones, his cousin, are said to have drawn her into the white house circle in the early autumn of 1914. From that time, she was a frequent guest at the executive mansion and last summer spent a month as the guest of Margaret Wilson at the summer white house at Cornish, N. H. The engagement was announced on October 6, not long after the presidential party returned to Washington for the winter.

Both the president and his bride agreed not to have their wedding in the white house but in her home near Dupont Circle, which sometimes is called the social hub of the capital. She lives there in a tastefully arranged house, somewhat small by comparison with the mansions which surround it. It is not large enough for entertaining on an extended scale and for that reason a large company was not invited to the wedding. Mr. McAdoo, the president's son-in-law, was the only member of the cabinet included in the party. The rest were all relatives.

The repeatedly expressed wish of the couple for a quiet wedding was tended by any great amount of publicity is responsible for the general lack of common knowledge of so many of the details which attend such a ceremony. No public announcements have been made of the gifts received by the bride.

New York dressmakers have been frequently during the last few weeks at the white house and at the bride's home and she has made one or two shopping trips out of the city to complete her trousseau.

Conspiring to Blow Up Welland Canal Charged Against Two Men Arrested



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Panama Channel Opened.
By the Associated Press.
Panama, Dec. 17.—The channel was opened today through the slide at the Gaillard cut, the first time since the Panama canal was closed to traffic last September. Canal tugs and dredges will be able to pass through the slide region about January 1, but the engineers are not willing to state when the canal will be opened to traffic.

Train Held Up in Kansas.
By the Associated Press.
Topeka, Kan., Dec. 17.—A Rock Island train was held up late tonight at Bonner Springs.

BANK CLEARINGS.
Clearings of Waco banks for yesterday's business amounted to \$281,992.99, according to figures compiled for the Morning News by C. N. Vivrett, secretary-manager of the Waco Clearing House association.

Clearings for yesterday a week ago, December 19, were \$308,736.10.

By the Associated Press.
New York, Dec. 17.—Paul Koenig, formerly head of the secret service of the Hamburg-American line, and Richard Emil Lyendecker were arrested tonight by agents of the department of justice, charged with conspiring to attempt to blow up the Welland canal.

Koenig was arrested at number 45 Broadway in the office of the Hamburg-American line. Before he was in charge of the steamship company's bureau of investigation, but since then it is charged he has been the head of the German secret service in the United States.

Lyendecker was taken into custody at his office at 345 Fifth avenue, where he has been selling antiques. The agents of the department of justice declare they found in his office maps and drawings of the Welland canal. Both men are said to have admitted that they had been along the canal on the American side, but asserted they did not cross into Canada.

The specific charge preferred against the men is violation of section thirteen of the United States penal code, which prohibits the planning within the boundaries of the United States of a military expedition against a foreign power.

Lyendecker claims to be an American citizen and has admitted, it is said, that he has been employed by Koenig. Koenig took out his first citizenship papers in this country ten years ago, but never applied for his second. The government agents assert that Koenig has been known by many names.

Koenig, under the name of Stemmler, it was charged, was responsible for obtaining from Gustav Stahl, the affidavit in which he declared he had seen guns on board the Lusitania the day before she sailed on her last voyage. Stahl was convicted on a charge of perjury and sentenced to eighteen months in the federal prison at Atlanta.

Koenig's plan to blow up the canal was mapped out in Buffalo in September, according to the complaint which specifically charges that it was "the purpose and intent of said defendants to destroy, mutilate and damage the Welland canal by force of arms."

The precise details of the alleged plot were withheld by the federal authorities, but it is understood that Koenig and Lyendecker had employed spies who went out from Buffalo and Niagara Falls to

photograph the canal, prepare plans and make arrangements for blowing up the waterway at its most important point, and that nitroglycerine was to be used as the explosive.

Koenig and Lyendecker were in Buffalo about four days, according to the authorities, and returned to New York with the explosive plot left in the hands of their agents. So far as is known by the department of justice, it was said tonight, they had not abandoned the carrying out of the plot when the arrests took place.

Koenig is given thirteen aliases in the complaint. They include German, English and Irish names. Koenig had two aliases which he employed in other activities. It was stated by the authorities that the complaint specifically mentions that the accused men purposed to "set on foot a military enterprise," it was stated that only a few persons were concerned in the alleged plot.

Capt. W. M. O'Flery, in charge of the government's military investigation, states it would be contrary to public policy and injurious to the interests of the United States to reveal the sources of his information.

Prior to the arrest of the men, the federal grand jury began an investigation into this newest phase of alleged violation of American neutrality, which it is intimated will embrace other activities of Koenig's organization.

Koenig and Lyendecker will be arraigned tomorrow morning.

The Welland canal extends a distance of twenty-seven miles from Port Colborne to Port Dalhousie. It is the route which vessels take from Chicago and other Great Lakes ports to reach the St. Lawrence river. Grain shipments from these ports are thus transported to Europe. Had the canal been destroyed it would have compelled the shipments to be carried to the Atlantic coast by rail before they could have been loaded on vessels.

Canada Did Not Know of Plot.
Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 17.—Officials of the dominion secret service tonight professed ignorance of any conspiracy to blow up the Welland canal.

Another Arrest in Canal Plot.
By the Associated Press.
New York, Dec. 17.—Late tonight two detectives connected with the New York City "bomb squad" arrived at police headquarters with Frederick Metzler, 21 years old, a clerk in the offices of the Hamburg-American line, whom they arrested at his home in Jersey City in connection with the alleged conspiracy in which Koenig and Lyendecker are involved.

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SECOND ANCONA NOTE TO RENEW DEMANDS FOR HOLIDAY AFTER MADE ORIGINALLY EXTENDING WAR TAX

SECRETARY LANSING MAKES ANNOUNCEMENT THAT AUSTRIAN GOVERNMENT HAS NOT MET ANY OF REQUESTS—NEW COMMUNICATION TO BE SENT.

MAY BE CABLED BY MONDAY

Vienna Authorities Do Not Wish Severance of Diplomatic Relations, According to Word Received at Washington and May Agree to All Demands.

By the Associated Press.
Washington, Dec. 17.—The United States late today prepared to dispatch a second note to Austria-Hungary on the sinking of the Italian steamer Ancona. The communication will renew vigorously the demands made in the first note; none of them, according to an official announcement by Secretary Lansing, having been complied with by the Vienna foreign office.

President Wilson probably will approve the form the second note shall take tomorrow in conference with Secretary Lansing. The secretary then will act without further suggestion from the president, who will leave Washington tomorrow night on his wedding trip. Should the secretary determine, however, that the further counsel of the president is necessary, he will go to wherever the executive may be. Should the situation become still more acute the president may be forced to shorten his honeymoon and return to Washington.

From an authoritative Teutonic source came the information tonight that the Vienna government had no desire of being the cause of diplomatic relations between the United States and Austria being severed. It was said that if the second note left an avenue for it, the foreign office probably would see fit to agree to all the demands made by the United States.

Note May Be Started Monday.
The second note will be cabled to Ambassador Penfield for presentation to the Vienna foreign office at the earliest possible moment. It is considered probable that it will be started by Monday afternoon, it was said tonight, that the note will re-state the position and views of the United States emphatically; that it shall be even more vigorous than the first note, which was the most drastic of all the diplomatic communications the United States has sent during the present war.

The official text of the Austrian reply was considered today by the president and his cabinet. Apparently the official version contained nothing which made its meaning radically different from the unofficial version cabled in news dispatches from London. After the cabinet meeting Mr. Lansing announced that none of the demands made by the United States had been acceded to. It was explained that the reply suggested further communication on the subject and more specific information in support of the charges made by the United States.

Little Difference in Versions.
Official translation, Mr. Lansing said, made the meaning of the Austro-Hungarian government perfectly clear. The secretary previously had declared the unofficial version to be vague. Slight changes caused by slight variations in translation existed between the two versions, he said, but the meaning in a broad sense was the same.

Such an endeavor is wholly unsatisfactory and unacceptable to the American government and increases the gravity of the situation between the two nations.

In regard to the second note, Secretary Lansing and officials were reticent. It was said, however, that the United States must give some of the facts asked for, though it would not under any consideration enter into an extended discussion of details. The United States expects its demands to be promptly complied with and such procrastination as officials consider Austria-Hungary exhibited in answering the original inquiry for information, submitted soon after the Ancona disaster, will not be allowed to pass without action.

Prince Hohenlohe, one of the attaches of the Austrian embassy, called at Secretary Lansing's office today and started much speculation by leaving what appeared to be a communication. Later it was learned that the prince had left a number of dispatches in cipher which he desired to transmit to his government. Code messages of this character are required to pass

SENATE ADOPTS HOUSE RESOLUTION BY STRICT PARTY VOTE AND PRESIDENT WILSON AFFIXES HIS OFFICIAL SIGNATURE TO THE MEASURE.

GENERAL EXODUS FOR HOME

Discussion of Revenue Revision Resolves Itself Into Debate on the Tariff Question, Senator Underwood Defending the Law Which He Fathored.

THE DAY IN CONGRESS.
Senate.
Met at noon.
Took up resolution extending emergency revenue act one year.
Philippines committee continued hearings on self government bill.
Senator Shafroth introduced a bill for universal disarmament through an international tribunal.
Worked bill for development of water holes in the California desert and Sterling bill for 640-acre stock raising homesteads reported favorably.
Senator Weeks introduced bill for regulation of insurance companies.
Passed joint resolution extending emergency revenue law until December 31, 1916.
Adjourned at 5:40 p. m. to noon Tuesday, January 4, -916.

House.
Met at noon.
Failed to appear before judiciary committee to substantiate his impeachment charges against H. S. Marshall, United States attorney.
Public lands committee began consideration of conservation bills which failed of enactment at last Congress.
War department recommended improvement project on Missouri river.
Adjourned at 6:45 p. m. to noon Tuesday, January 4, 1916.

By the Associated Press.
Washington, Dec. 17.—Congress adjourned tonight for the Christmas holidays after the senate had adopted the joint resolution passed by the house yesterday extending the emergency revenue law until December 31, 1916. The senate adopted the resolution after a lively partisan debate by a vote of 45 to 23, democrats supporting it solidly and republicans unanimously opposing it. President Wilson signed the measure tonight.

Both houses will convene at noon Tuesday, January 4, when the administration legislative program, including the plans for national defense, will be under consideration.

During the two weeks of the session the only important legislation was the extension of the war tax. This was gone to prevent a lapse of the law which would have taken effect on December 31 next, with the understanding that the law will be taken up for amendments to increase the revenues as soon after the holidays as possible.

Upon adjournment tonight there was a general exodus of members for their homes. The day in the house had been devoted to speeches on national defense.

Debate Over Tariff
Discussion of war revenue revision in the senate resolved itself into a general argument, republicans assailing the Underwood law as inadequate and condemning the general fiscal policy of the administration. Senator Underwood of Alabama in his first senate speech, defended the law which bears his name and challenged republicans to compare it with the Payne-Aldrich tariff.

Senators Simmons, chairman of the finance committee, in response to a question from the republicans, said he understood it to be the administration's plan to propose further revenue legislation after the holidays and that his impression was there would be no issuing of bonds to defray increased expenses of the government, including the preparedness program.

Senator Penrose of Pennsylvania, who led in the minority attack on the resolution, interrupted Senator Underwood's speech to draw a picture of idle men in his state during his campaign.

Gardner Would Find Out if Bryan is Making Money Out of Peace Propaganda

By the Associated Press.
Washington, Dec. 17.—Speeches for and against extensive military preparedness programs were made in the house today by two republicans, Representatives Augustus P. Gardner of Massachusetts and Frank Mondell of Wyoming.

Mr. Gardner said he had not decided which preparedness plan he would support, but that as a member of the ways and means committee he would vote for an appropriation for one of them.

"If anybody thinks," he said, "that by taking these democrats who are opposed to the increase and adding to them

the republican members they can say 'we will not vote for anything except an increase in the tariff' they have got to count without Augustus."

Mr. Gardner declared the committee on finance would investigate the matter, and that he would vote for an appropriation for one of them.

He argued that the country needed coast defenses, not battleships.

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White Star Line to Pay \$664,000 Out on Titanic Claims

New York, Dec. 17.—The White Star line has agreed to pay \$664,000 in settlement of all claims arising from the sinking of the Titanic on April 15, 1912, when more than 1,500 persons were drowned, attorneys for the line announced today.

Of the amount approximately \$500,000 will be distributed among American claimants. \$150,000 to British claimants and \$114,000 will be required for interest and expenses in connection with the numerous suits.

The agreement must be renewed its affiliation by December 30 to become operative. A committee representing sixty Americans who had filed claims against the company fixed the total claims at \$2,500,000. Forty-four of the sixty are said to have accepted the company's offer of approximately twenty percent of their claims.

Cases not settled by agreement will be continued in the courts.

Suff Association Will Not Join With Congressional Union

By the Associated Press.

Washington, Dec. 17.—A proposal that the Congressional Union for Woman Suffrage be permitted to renew its affiliation with the National American Woman Suffrage association was defeated after a spirited debate at today's session of the association's annual convention. Authority was voted, however, for frequent conferences between the legislative committees of the two bodies in their fight before congress for a federal suffrage amendment.

Earlier in the session the association held its annual election. Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt of New York being chosen president without opposition to succeed Dr. Anna Howard Shaw.

In addition to the president, the association elected the following officers: First vice president, Mrs. Frank M. Roosevelt, Pennsylvania; treasurer, Mrs. Henry Wade Rogers, Connecticut; corresponding secretary, Miss Hannah Patterson, Pennsylvania; recording secretary, Mrs. James Morrison, Illinois; first auditor, Mrs. Walter McNab Miller, Missouri; second auditor, Mrs. Patty Ruffner Jacobs, Alabama.

A remarkable ovation was accorded Dr. Shaw, who under a resolution adopted yesterday became honorary president for life. Miss M. Carey Thomas, president of Bryn Mawr college, announced the raising of a fund of \$50,000 to provide an annuity for Dr. Shaw for life.

Prohibition Among Reforms in Mexico

By the Associated Press.

Washington, Dec. 17.—Prohibition against bull fighting in one Mexican state and sale of intoxicating liquor in another have been decreed in connection with General Carranza's reform program. Copies of the decrees reached the Mexican embassy here today.

Gov. Salvador Alvarado of Yucatan, in addition to hours of labor, a minimum wage, regulation of the liquor traffic and prohibition of gambling.

In Jalisco Governor Berlanga's reforms include besides abolition of bull fighting obligatory Sunday rest for laborers, reduction of hours of labor, a minimum wage, regulation of the liquor traffic and prohibition of gambling.

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MAKES FINE RECORD

SECRETARY'S REPORT AT ANNUAL BANQUET SHOWS MUCH ACCOMPLISHED.

Waco and Dallas Newspaper Men on Program—Large Local Attendance.

By Staff Correspondent.

Hillsboro, Dec. 17.—Half of a debt of \$2000 left over from a former administration paid off during the year, all bills for the current year paid promptly, and numerous things accomplished for the betterment of Hillsboro and Hill county were some of the achievements of the Young Men's Business League during the past year as recounted at the annual meeting and banquet tonight by Sec. A. L. Blanchard. About 125 members of the organization were in attendance upon the banquet, along with several invited guests from other cities, and all of them applauded the record that has been established under the presidency of W. L. Embree and the secretaryship of Mr. Blanchard.

The secretary's report showed that when the administration took charge of the organization it faced a deficit of \$2425, that half of this debt had been paid off during the year, that \$2180 had been raised for other purposes, and that the city and the Y. M. B. L. had taken care of the F. U. A. district convention, the State Conventions and Deputies' association, the state encampment of the United Confederate Veterans, and entertained the Hyman boosters, made a booster excursion, with 300 persons, to the Cotton Palace and secured lots of valuable publicity in other ways for Hillsboro and Hill county.

The trade of the city has been greatly extended through the activities of the organization, that it has been a commercial school with fifty pupils had been established, and an amendment to the city charter has been secured whereby the property owners on any street may bond themselves for the purpose of street paving. A number of the streets have been improved under this amendment. The secretary's report paid special commendation to the untiring and efficient work of President Embree and Chairman R. B. Leatherwood of the entertainment committee, and the Mirror for its support of all the undertakings of the league.

President Embree introduced Rev. Mr. Joiner to offer the invocation, after the regular reading of the minutes, and selections and the men had taken their seats at the table for the service of a turkey dinner by the women of the local Episcopal church. He later presented Mayor W. H. Knight to deliver the formal address of welcome, which consisted of some comments on the Ford peace expedition and a plea that the city government and the Y. M. B. L. work together for the betterment of the best interests of Hillsboro.

Frank E. Burkhalter, editor of the Waco Morning News, discussed, "How the Y. M. B. L. Can Help Hillsboro and Hill County," and Clarence H. Dufosse, staff correspondent of the Dallas News, gave his impressions of Hillsboro and what it is doing, basing his remarks upon an investigation he has made during the past two days. He expressed the opinion that no commercial organization could succeed without the co-operation of the press and declared it was true, also that a paper can not succeed unless it is supported in a large measure by the live wires who make up the commercial organization working together.

These agencies do at Hillsboro, the task of two building is comparatively easy. Among the concrete suggestions offered by George C. Robinson, editor of the Waco Times-Herald, were that a white way be built around the city hall square from the square down to the river station; that when certain citizens hold back and oppose the work of the Y. M. B. L. they be ignored and built around or over, and that less consideration in the levying of taxes be shown for the vacant lots and poorly improved locations, and more consideration for the well improved property.

While Mr. Robinson said he had not embraced the single tax theory, he said that he believed it was wrong for persons to hold property for speculation, unimproved, and enjoy the unearned increment that came to them through the improvement of their neighbors. He would have unimproved property taxed to the point where it would be unprofitable to hold it longer than a state. He pleaded also for larger patronage of home institutions and for the development of Texas at the hands of Texans rather than going off to New York and asking for money for that purpose.

Mr. Elmore, industrial commissioner of the Texas Immigration bureau, made an extended address on the value of co-operation between the members of the officers of the Y. M. B. L. and the methods by which mail order houses win the confidence of the members.

After the visitors had spoken, a number of the local speakers were called upon for impromptu responses, ex-Mayor Lovell, President Embree and others being on that list.

C. G. Denman acted as toastmaster tonight and introduced the various speakers in a very happy vein.

All of the speakers, visiting and local, congratulated the organization upon the splendid work it has done in the year that is just closing and expressed its confidence in a still larger success upon the year that is ahead.

Five Killed in Wreck on B. & O. Railroad

By the Associated Press.

Chester, Pa., Dec. 17.—Five persons were killed and eleven injured, one probably fatally, in a rear end collision between an accommodation train bound from Wilmington to Chester and a train of empty express cars on the Baltimore and Ohio railroad tonight at Felton, two miles south of this city.

Two of the dead were employees of the railroad and two were negro passengers. Daniel Callenger, a passenger of Philadelphia, was the fifth victim. Otto Phillips also of Philadelphia sustained a fractured skull and physicians say his recovery is doubtful.

All the injured lived in Philadelphia and Chester or in nearby towns. The accident occurred about 4 o'clock and was due, according to railroad officials, to dense fog which made it impossible for the engineers to see the signals.

Most of the passengers were workmen in munition plants at Wilmington. A moment after the accident an exclamation from Philadelphia for Baltimore crashed into the wreckage but little damage resulted.

Yagui Indians Feared.

By the Associated Press.

Topolampam, Sinaloa, Mex., by Radio to San Diego, Cal., Dec. 17.—Fear of further attacks by Yaqui Indians was expressed in messages received today from settlers in the Yaqui valley in Southern Sonora, where the Mexican government is said to have inferior numbers to the Indian band which recently raided the valley.

Mrs. Galt's Favorite Flowers



The "Galt corsage."

This beautiful bouquet of violets and orchids is known as the "Galt corsage." Mrs. Galt, President Wilson's fiancée, has a bouquet like this sent her each day, no matter where she may be.

ECOND ANCONA NOTE TO RENEW DEMANDS MADE ORIGINALLY

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through the state department before they can be sent by wireless. The messages, it was said, contained reports of informal conferences Baron Zwiernick, charge of the embassy, has had with Secretary Lansing as well as an interpretation of public opinion here in regard to the Ancona negotiations.

Austrian Comment Moderate.

Vienna, Dec. 16.—(Via London, Dec. 17, 11:30 P. M.—Delayed)—The editorial comment on the Austro-Hungarian government's reply to the American government's note concerning the sinking of the Italian liner Ancona is characterized by moderation. The reply was published this morning. The comment of the Neue Freie Presse probably is the most caustic of any of the newspapers.

"Baron Burian," says this newspaper, "has answered the unknown question of the United States with careful reserve. In the preliminary course of explanation the effort is made to induce the Washington cabinet to establish the reliability of the charges that are made against the Italian liner. Instead of accepting the generalities of accusations made in a state of superexcitement. The calm treatment of the American note is good, for the reason that the world has been stupid enough to make itself economically dependent upon the new world by 'wasting its strength. But it will show itself superior in the political game, and the relations between peoples."

The Neue Freie Presse and other papers point to the impossibility of the Austro-Hungarian government admitting that the commander of the submarine which sank the Ancona should be punished for a possible deficiency upon the demand of another government and when the evidence upon which such a demand is based is not accessible to the Austro-Hungarian government and consists entirely of statements made by the plaintiff's side. The newspapers say this is contrary to any law or system of jurisprudence which is not incompatible with the fundamental principles of state sovereignty.

The American Government, the newspapers assert, would not think of granting any such demand for reasons stated and nor could it entertain the idea of doing so if it did not desire utterly to demoralize its naval service by giving its officers to understand that while they were expected to carry out orders the consequences of performing the duties imposed would be visited upon them.

Concerning the American attitude that Austro-Hungary should base its instructions to submarine commanders on the American note to the German government in the Lusitania case, the newspapers say that while the American government would be justified in making its position in that instance a precedent it could not use it on the principle that ignorance is no excuse. Before the law since in this case the American government is not the judge but the plaintiff who enjoys, according to international law, no prerogatives nor privileges which the Austro-Hungarian government as the agent of a sovereign people does not have.

Nor, say the editorials, is the American government justified in looking upon Austro-Hungary as Germany's vassal state. This idea, which they assume the Washington note indirectly indicates, they declare to be most absurd. Austria-Hungary, they add, now as ever, is a separate and independent state and any relations the American government may have with Austria-Hungary must have this fact as a basis.

Some of the papers express the belief that the American note was hastily drafted and that its equity aspects were not thoroughly considered before the note was transmitted, because, they argue, there is no reason to believe that Washington, as the champion of international law, would have purposely ignored so fundamental a principle of international law as state sovereignty, which the note in many essentials entirely overlooked.

VILLA'S WIFE TRYING TO GET HUSBAND TO RESIGN COMMAND

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country of the neighboring state of Chihuahua.

Lieutenant Governor Hobbs replied that in the absence of Governor Ferguson, who is in St. Louis, he could not rescind permission for the troop movements, which he said was granted two weeks ago. It was not known definitely here that an invasion of Mexican soil from El Paso county was contemplated but Sheriff Edwards said such action, which he feared, would result in endangering life and property of neutrals.

Governor Ferguson Against Action.

St. Louis, Dec. 17.—Governor Ferguson of Texas, after being apprised of the protest of El Paso county citizens against the movement of Carranza troops through Texas, said here tonight he would take "such action as is demanded by the circumstances." Immediately upon his return to Texas next Monday.

"However, I shall not rescind the permission already granted," he added. "Several weeks ago when Secretary of State Lansing requested that I grant Carranza troops I suggested to him that such action might not be advisable because of the unsettled conditions on the border. But notwithstanding my suggestion Mr. Lansing repeated the request, and so I granted the permission only because the secretary of state had asked it."

I cannot say what attitude I shall take toward further requests for permission for Mexican troops to pass through Texas. I do feel, however, that the repeated granting of such permission may result in increased disorders, for we have participants of all factions of the Mexican controversy on the American side of the river."

May "Eliminate" Villa.

Washington, Dec. 17.—Border advice to the Mexican embassy received here said Villa chieftains in conference at Chihuahua had announced an intention to "eliminate Francisco Villa forthwith" with a view to their own immediate surrender to the constitutionalist government.

Allies Demand More Facilities.

Paris, Dec. 18, 1:10 a. m.—A Havas dispatch from Athens dated Thursday says: "The ministers of the quadruple entente called again on the premier yesterday regarding the facilities demanded for the entente allied troops in Macedonia. The German minister called on M. Skouloudis at noon today."

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CONGRESS ADJOURNS FOR HOLIDAYS AFTER EXTENDING WAR TAX

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paign for re-election last year. He said the present prosperity in the steel business was due to the war and immense purchases by belligerent governments.

Issues Clearly Defined.

"The Pennsylvania senator," said Senator Underwood, "has made clear his belief that the depression which followed the terror of the first few months of the war was due entirely to democratic administration but the present prosperity alone is due to the war."

"This discussion today, while not illuminative on the fiscal condition of the country has clearly defined the issues between the two great parties on matters of legislation. Mr. Penrose says we are committing a crime against the American people by reducing the custom taxes and replacing them with taxation resting solely on the wealth of the country."

Revenues were growing in the first year of the present tariff law, he added, than in the last year of the Payne law.

Senator Penrose insisted that the war had been a political blessing to the democratic party rather than a handicap to the successful working out of its free trade policy. Republicans who joined in the debate included Senators Lodge, Smoot, Gronna, Gallinger and Works. Senators Thomas and Gore supported Senators Simmons and Underwood.

Philippine Bill Reported.

Washington, Dec. 17.—A favorable report on the administration bill to extend the measure of self government in the Philippines was voted today by the senate Philippines committee at the conclusion of a two days' hearing.

Senator Lippitt cast the only vote against the report, two other Republicans, Senators Clay and Kenyon, joining the democrats with reservation of the right to offer amendments in the senate.

The committee made several changes in the bill in line with war department recommendations. The preamble, declaring the purpose of the United States to grant independence "when the people of the Philippines shall have shown themselves to be fitted therefor," now reads "when it will be to the permanent interest of the people of the Philippine islands."

The provisions against polygamy were changed so as to prohibit contracting hereafter of polygamous or plural marriages.

An effort to pass the bill through both houses probably will be made soon after the holidays.

Would Enlarge West Point.

Washington, Dec. 17.—Congress was asked by Secretary Garrison today to appropriate as soon as possible \$42,031 to enlarge the West Point military academy for accommodation of 140 additional cadets and \$15,000 to meet certain special expenses of the army.

Appointments Confirmed.

Washington, Dec. 17.—The senate today confirmed the nominations of Frank L. Polk of New York as counsel of the state department; Wm. M. Russell of the District of Columbia as minister to the Dominican republic, and James L. Curtis of New York as minister to Liberia.

Special Day Asked for Poland.

Washington, Dec. 17.—A resolution asking the president to set aside a day during the holiday season for an appeal to the American people to aid the suffering in Poland due to the war was passed by the senate today on motion of Senator Kern of Indiana.

Tornado Sweeps Through Alabama and Mississippi

By the Associated Press.

Meridian, Miss., Dec. 17.—Four negroes are known to have been killed and many persons, mostly negroes, were injured as a result of a tornado which swept through several east Mississippi counties early today and passed into Alabama northwest of the city. Nearly one hundred plantation buildings in Kemper county were demolished. A number of small towns in Clark and Lauderdale counties also reported buildings unroofed and other property damaged. Giles, in Kemper county, reported the greatest number of casualties.

Black Hand Letter to Fort Worth Man

Fort Worth, Dec. 17.—The receipt of a black hand letter demanding \$5,000 with the alternative of finding his daughter's severed head at his door and his granddaughters slain, tonight V. S. Wardlaw, president of the El Paso State bank, made a midnight in an automobile along an un-frequented road in the suburbs. Wardlaw carried no money on the trip and was guarded by police scattered in the neighborhood indicated in the threatening letter as the locality in which to leave the \$5,000. No arrests were made. Wardlaw's daughter is a leader in the younger society set here.

Shortage of Silver Money in England

London, Dec. 17.—(Correspondence of the Associated Press.)—The substitution of silver for gold coin, following the withdrawal of gold and the issue of paper money in its place, has caused a serious shortage of silver here. Banks are still able to obtain silver from the Bank of England, but it is growing scarcer.

A case was recounted in the Star this week of a man who asked for silver in exchange for a gold coin at the bank of England and met with a refusal. This is cited to show that the bank does not wish to encourage the public to draw on its silver.

The silver held by the Bank of England in normal times amounts to about \$5,000,000. The latest returns show only \$750,000. Within the past few months the quantity of silver has advanced from 244 an ounce to 271-1-16.

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BABY SAYRE, PRESIDENT'S GRANDCHILD, IS TO HAVE A PRIZE CHRISTMAS TREE



L. L. Meserve with axe about to cut Baby Sayre's Christmas tree.

There are only fourteen school kiddies in the town of Oquossco, Maine, the place from which Santa Claus gets a big percentage of his Christmas trees, and these children decided that Baby Sayre, President Wilson's first grandchild, ought to have a Christmas tree befitting the dignity of a baby who can say to the president: "Hello, Granddaddy." L. L. Meserve, a leading citizen of the town, who is called the "Christmas tree king of America," donated this fine twelve-foot tree, and the kiddies have sent it along to the baby.

School Children Killed by Train in North Dakota

By the Associated Press.

Berthold, N. D., Dec. 17.—Five children and a man were killed here tonight when a Great Northern passenger train struck a bus loaded with school children.

Another child was probably fatally injured.

John Ahern, driver of the bus, was the adult killed. The children all under 16 years of age, were members of three families and were being taken from school to their homes near here. Leonard and Earl Miller, Severt and Anton Hagen and Harry Arnold were killed and the latter's brother, Leonard, is expected to die from injuries.

Few Candidates for Greek Parliament

By the Associated Press.

London, Dec. 17.—A dispatch to the Times from Athens says: "Only 450 candidates are presenting themselves for the 316 seats in parliament which will be voted for in the general election Sunday. This is due to the complete abstention of followers of former Premier Venizelos who elected 154 deputies in the last election."

A majority of all of the present candidates have declared themselves in favor of a policy of neutrality. With the exception of about forty followers of M. Dimitracopoulos, who was minister of justice under M. Venizelos all the candidates are ministerialists."

Cold Weather Stops Flood.

Louisville, Ky., Dec. 17.—Cold weather tonight apparently had stopped the heavy rainfall that the past thirty-six hours over Kentucky. Lowlands throughout the state are flooded and many small streams are out of their banks. Two lives were lost as a result of the storm but no extensive property damage has been reported.

INDIANS CLING TO OLD NAMES.

Reservation Land Sale Brings Many Picturesque Titles to Light.

That Indian names still possess their early strength and picturesque quality is shown by those which figured prominently in the recent sale of Indian lands in the Standing Rock reservation in North and South Dakota.

An inspection of the list reveals such names as Kate Good Crow, whose nearest neighbor is Barney Two Bears. Mary Yellow Tail adjoins Melia Crow-ghost, while Mrs. Crazy Walking, on the southeast quarter of section 19-23-25, has probably reached the condition indicated by her name through being in the same section with Elk Ghost.

Mary Lean Dog rather envies Agatha Big Shield for her aristocratic name. In like manner, Jennie Dog and Mary Shave Head may be all too willing to assume on short notice the heroic name borne by Morris Thunderhead, heir apparent to Long Shot Thunderhead.

Mrs. Did Not Butcher, judging from her name, is in no condition to supply the wants of her nearest neighbor, Mrs. Frosted Red Fish, who lives on a half section, not far from Helen Difficult.

And on festive days there gather such notables as Francis Many Horses, Joseph Shoot the Bear, Mrs. Stanton Grindstone, Mrs. No Two Horns, Good Voice Elk, See the Bear, Married to Santee, Her Holy Road, Tiberius Many Wounds, Plus Shoot First and Shave on One Side.

All of which shows that there is something in a name, especially if it's a good old Indian name that larks back to the forest primeval.

For the last thirty years the average yield of potatoes an acre in Ontario has been about 42 per cent over that of the United States.

The herring catch of England last year exceeded by far that of any previous season.

WILL BE GUEST AT WILSON'S NUPTIALS



Miss Marjorie Brown.

Miss Marjorie Brown, a belle of Atlanta, Ga., and niece of President Wilson, probably will be a guest at the Wilson-Galt nuptials. She was one of the five bridesmaids who attended Miss Jessie Wilson at the latter's wedding in the White House two years ago.

The horn of the rhinoceros is no joined to the bone of the head, but grows on the skin.

Greece is starting extensive citrus fruit growing.

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Classy New Suit for Christmas

Why not? The Suit you bought in the Fall is no longer a new Suit and you really need another now. A special mid-season purchase enables us to show the very latest patterns for Winter wear, with an air of exclusive style that's worthy of Fifth Avenue.

Choice of Behjamin, Michaels-Stern and L System makes—in styles for young men and older young men—

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A Few Items from the Goldstein-Migel Gift-Stocks for Men.

Men's Hose for gifts, at... 25c to \$2.50
Neckwear, the kind he likes 50c to \$3
Gloves for every occasion at \$1 to \$6.50
Walus Suit Cases, completely fitted—\$9.95.

Handkerchiefs in Holiday boxes 25c to \$3.00
Collar Bags, all styles, \$1.00 to \$5.00
Handkerchief and Tie Cases \$3 to \$6.50
Fine Suspenders in Xmas boxes 75c to \$2.50

Gift Mufflers in Xmas boxes 50c to \$3
Tie, Hose and Handkerchief to match—75c to \$10.00.

Cuff Buttons, solid and filled at 75c to \$7.50.
Men's Gift Novelties—Tie Racks, Cigarette Cases, Coat Hangers, Drinking Cups, Bridge Sets, Toilet Sets, Manicure Sets, Military Brushes, Clothes Brushes, Desk Clocks, etc., priced at 50c to \$6.50 Each.

Men's "Comfy" Slippers — Guaranteed Foot-Gladness

The kind of Slippers you will want to wear, because you can kick them on without stooping over. Wear them wherever you now go in your bare feet. Make them a part of your "Solid Comfort" wardrobe.

SPECIAL—Men's Wool Eiderdown Slumber Slippers, in all colors, 75c the pair.

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To save yourself so much worry is to order your dressed frys, your cooked meats, your home-made cakes, your home-made pies, your salads, etc., of "The Grocery So Different."

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First Presbyterian Choir Will Present Christmas Cantata

The annual Christmas cantata will be presented by the choir of the First Presbyterian church next Sunday night. Lansing's "Star Divine" has been selected for the 1915 cantata. Solos from the composition with the soloists are as follows:

Introduction and Hymn of the Prophet Choir Solo, "The Watching of the Magi" Miss Minnie Johnston Chorus of Prophets Choir Solo, "The Journey of the Magi" Mrs. R. Spencer Woods Solo and Chorus, "In the Old World Splendor" Miss Bobs Childress and Choir Solo and chorus, "O'er the Place Where Sleeping" Alto and Choir Duet, "The Adoration of the Magi" Messrs. Wm. Morrow and Edgar Yinger. Chorus, "Star of the East" Musical director, Prof. E. M. Parrish.

Gas Piping.

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Christmas Pictures at Cameron's.—Adv.

Current Events

—IN WOMAN'S SPHERE—

BOTH PHONES 1958.

KATE FRIEND, EDITOR

WOMAN'S CALENDAR

FOR THIS FRIDAY

Mrs. Allan Sanford, West Austin, is luncheon hostess for Miss Margaret Kendall; 1 o'clock.

Music recital, combined classes, Trio Music hall; 8 o'clock.
Saturday Auction Bridge plays with Mrs. William Carroll, Thirteenth and Clay; 2:30 o'clock.

Mrs. J. E. Allison, Columbus Heights, is bridge hostess for Miss Mary Allison; 2:30 o'clock.

Enterprisers meet, Central Christian church; 3 o'clock.

Junior Enterprisers meet, Central Christian church; 3 o'clock.

Mrs. Mattie D. Willis, 617 South Fourth street, has students' piano recital; 2:30 o'clock.

Nominating board City Federation of Missionary societies meet, Public library; 3 o'clock.

Beau Note meet with Miss Hazel Spencer, Fourteenth and Columbus; 2:30 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. John Pat Massey, 1709 Washington, have dinner party for Miss Frances Hays; 2:30 o'clock.

Mrs. G. B. Ryan patronizes studio piano recital, 1115 Washington street; 10 o'clock.

BRIDAL BRIDGE PLAYS

WITH MRS. ARCHENHOLD

The weekly game of Bridal Bridge found Mrs. Harry Archenhold hostess and Mrs. Jack Nussbaum playing the substitute hand for Mrs. Isie Friedlander who is in Houston. The prizes fell first to Mrs. Al Marks, and second to Mrs. Nathan Cinnamon. Mrs. Edward Silvers will entertain the club next Thursday.

CLUBS WILL CONTRIBUTE TO CHRISTMAS GAYETY

It is already announced that several holiday gatherings are scheduled for the clubs. The Progress Club will have new year ball also private dance with Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Davidson on December 27. The Huaco club will have debut reception dance of Miss Mary Farrell, and the Watch Night dance and supper. There is anticipated a jolly Christmas dance for the Country Club.

LITERARY NOTE COMES FROM NEW YORK CITY

It is an interesting note to hear that, up in New York City, Mr. Anderson, who is husband of Miss Emma De Zouche, formerly one of the bright young women of this city, is author of this story, which was accepted by the "movies," and Mrs. Toby remunerated handsomely. It would seem that the Waco women who sought literary pursuits in New York have made good with their pens.

MISS CULBERSON GARRETT FOR THE TWENTY DAISIES

In meeting on Thursday, the first time since Miss Bess Shaw had surprised them by becoming Mrs. Charles Pearre, the Twenty Daisies honored their first bride with a novelty shower. Miss Culbertson Garrett, former president, was hostess. Her home had been arranged with the Christmas greens, and a novel plan to accompany the novelty shower. Each Daisy handed her package privately. Miss Garrett had ready a clever verse for number one, which told how to find number two, thus making a chain of surprise for Mrs. Pearre. These packages were hid among the greens and in other niches. Collected, there was a much appreciated friendship tribute for the honoree. Then, it was a toast

to the bride by Miss Aline Quicksall, one to the groom by Miss Ella Stoltz, and one to the girls left behind by Miss Clarice Griswold. On December 27 the Twenty Daisies have their Christmas tree and exchange of gifts with Miss Griswold, after which they adjourn until January 8.

PRESBYTERIAN CHOIR IN "THE STAR DIVINE"

On Sunday evening the choir of First Presbyterian church will render its Christmas song service for which practice has been done for some weeks. The selection is a Christmas cantata, "The Star Divine." Eight sections constitute the whole, these introducing voice solos, duets and choruses. The soloists will be Mrs. Spencer Wood, Miss Minnie Johnston, Miss Bob Childress, with William Morrow and Edgar Yinger. The choruses will be sung by thirty voices. Prof. E. M. Parrish has been directing the rehearsals. The public is invited to enjoy this evening song service.

MISS ENRIQUE SMITH HAS CHRISTMAS DINNER

Just as cozy as could be was the dinner party in which Miss Enrique Smith was hostess last night. The table by request was set within the Huaco club library where the open fire place was made ready for the bringing in of the old time Yule log, with its warmth and glow, as the dinner progressed. That this was a Christmas dinner, full of holiday cheer, it goes without saying. Centered by the Christmas tree, candles and gifts, crimson ribbon runners found way to Santa Claus place cards. Plate favors gave the men confetti bombs and the women jaunty little Christmas caps. This all made a beautiful table, and Miss Smith's happy selection of guests made a jolly company. This was a square table, and each corner was marked by a holly wreath to encircle a Christmas candle spire. The fun feature came in unloading the tree of its gifts. After the coffee, the party joined the dancers in the ball room.

One Week From Today Is Christmas

Take advantage of the special on Bulk Candy today for Christmas presents—31c for the best quality of Chocolates and other nice candies in bulk, put up in Xmas packages, tied with ribbon without extra charge.

You know you are going to give your friends candy, for there is nothing more appropriate for Xmas presents than candy. Take advantage of this opportunity today and let us put the candy aside for you. We will deliver it whenever you desire us to do so.

MORRISON'S "OLD CORNER"

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The Biggest and the Best in Texas.

room. Mrs. C. E. Smith was matron of the evening. Miss Smith's guests being Mrs. P. H. Dean of St. Louis, the Misses Ethel Foster, Gertrude Bush, Norma Bonner, the Messrs. and Mesdames William Cameron, William Neale, Luke Moore, Jr., Louis Stephens, Wilbur Crawford with Floyd Holland, Davis Strubling, Beck of Boston, Ross Padgett and Michael of Chicago.

MR. AND MRS. LEE COWAN HAVE THEIR FIRST GUESTS

Following the plans for a pretty building and the study of Mrs. Cowan for an effective furnishing, first guests were welcomed into the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Cowan late in the week. The form of home christening to hospitality was a buffet dinner, individual trays being passed as guests sat informally through the rooms. Not, however, until Mrs. Cowan had given the holiday dash to her pretty table set with crimson and green and with patronage of the American beauty buds. Not one within the company left without having complimented to the effective interior of this handsome exterior home. Each piece seemed made just for the special niche it occupies or the use for which it is placed. The guests who enjoyed this first comfort were Mr. Dove, Dero Wood, Mrs. William Breunstedt, Miss Gertrude Bush, T. F. Bush with the Messrs. and Mesdames Edward Bolton, J. W. Bass, J. D. Williams, Landin, James Riley, Pio Crespi, William Neale, M. Holderman, C. W. Wilson, Wilbur Crawford, Frank Forman, William Cameron, Harry Baine.

BRIDES AND DEBUTANTES WITH THE MESDAMES DRAKE

While personal friends to the number of two hundred were invited to call, it was the season's debutantes and brides especially honored in the home of Mrs. E. E. Drake and Mrs. Edwin Drake. Just a few days in advance, the hostesses in prospect placed their holiday decorations, a little more elaborate, to be sure, and very effective, with radiance turned to an acceptable temperature, and as pretty a room picture as one would care to see, guests were welcomed into the Drake home during the late hours of Thursday. The party was a most successful one, with the American beauty buds. The Christmas bell was everywhere. There would have been a thoughtful friends sent florist boxes, which contained dozens of La France buds. These were used for a background, placed high, for the line of pretty girls in pretty frocks, the brides and the debutantes. First welcome was given by Miss Kate Friend and Mrs. M. Holderman, who transferred callers to the hostesses, they in turn introducing to their honorees. Within the second room a more informal house party continued the hospitable greeting, while in the punch room young girls did service. A Christmas brew and a Christmas cake was the refreshment offering. As said, two hours was thus pleasantly consumed by hostesses, honorees, house party and callers. Those remaining with the Mesdames Drake for the two hours were the Misses Frances Hays, Anna Fry Jones, Katherine Reynolds, Thelma Ashburn, Virginia Lazenby, Lucile Lewis, Ethel Foster, Fay Clinton, Pauline McLendon and Ruth Hubby. These added much to the pretty living picture by the handsome corsages and arm bunches worn or held. Also, receiving there were Mesdames Carl Lovelace, Bart Moore, Jr., and Wilbur Crawford. Mrs. J. R. Milam, Holloway Smith, Hush Brewer, Clark of Kansas City, William Mistrof, H. B. Mistrof, C. W. Wilson, Harvey Richey, Ira Seley, Merrill Parker of Dallas, and the Misses Elizabeth Anderson and Scotland, Frances Luedde, Mazie Turner, Nannie Rose Clisbee.

Society Notes

On Sunday, Miss Louise Bass is due from Chattanooga, for a holiday visit with her aunt, Mrs. Baylis Earle. While not yet a debutante, Miss Bass will be introduced with the reception dance for Miss Farrell on the twenty-seventh.

Was it not the happy thought of Miss Ruth Hubby to honor the Society Ball committee under whose supervision she made her first entrance into society? In this Miss Hubby's debut dance programs paid the compliment.

Mrs. Joseph Cornett of Highland and her sister, Mrs. Boyer of Denver, who is now with her, will go down for the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Beaumont, in Houston.

Mrs. Cullen Cooper will be down from Dallas to spend the holidays with her relatives here. She is due with Wednesday.

The coming of Dr. and Mrs. Wilkinson from Chicago as holiday visitors to Dr. and Mrs. A. H. Newman, one of the greatest institutions of its kind in the United States. More recently he has been connected with the University of Chicago, and while there has met many of the Baylor faculty members who have done summer work there.

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Have you a friend who lives within four walls of city apartment? If so, send her a pretty little landscape picture, something which will take her out into the woods. There is so much in the appropriateness of one's Christmas gift.

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Distinguished Literatus Visits Friends in Waco

Dr. J. C. Wilkinson of Chicago, professor emeritus of poetry and criticism of the University of Chicago, and theologian of note, with Mrs. Wilkinson, will arrive in Waco today en route to the Pacific coast exhibitions to spend several days with their friends, Dr. and Mrs. A. H. Newman, 609 Dutton street, and to mingle with other members of the Baylor university faculty circle. Dr. Wilkinson was in this city some eight years ago for a series of lectures at Baylor on homiletics.

Although past eighty years of age, Dr. Wilkinson is still an active writer, having published a number of books within the past few years. For years he was a professor in the Rochester Theological seminary of New York, one of the greatest institutions of its kind in the United States. More recently he has been connected with the University of Chicago, and while there has met many of the Baylor faculty members who have done summer work there.

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looms to his credit as a poet, a small library of works on theology attesting to his prestige as a theologian, and many articles on criticism, besides being a lecturer of note. One of his best known pieces of poetry is "Saul," an epic.

After retiring from active lecture work in the University of Chicago several years ago, Dr. Wilkinson has devoted most of his time to writing and traveling. He has spent the summer on the Pacific coast, and is now en route to his home in Illinois.

Dr. Newman, now professor of church history in Baylor, held the same chair in the Rochester seminary during the time that Dr. Wilkinson was connected with the institution.

The two scholars have been friends for many years. Dr. Newman is one of the greatest of the Baptist historians and is a translator of a number of authoritative editions relating to the Bible and church history. Dr. and Mrs. Wilkinson will remain probably until Monday, and because of their advanced age their visit here will be a quiet one.

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OUR CONFUSING ELECTION LAWS.

Commenting upon the recent exposure of the inconsistencies and burdens involved in the complex and conflicting election laws of this state, made by Tom Flinty, Jr., of the Dallas News and Journal, the Waco Tribune says:

"When Governor Ferguson reaches Texas at the end of this week, returning from his eastern trip, he is likely to be confronted with suggestions that a special legislative session is in order. He may be appealed to to call such a session. This is the result of a staff article in Monday's Dallas News by Tom Flinty, Jr., reviewing and analyzing the Texas primary election law, notably as applying to presidential years and selection of United States senators. As analyzed by Mr. Flinty, the statutes do appear to contain many incongruous and puzzling features, suggestive of embarrassing situations for election officers, candidates and voters and expense galore. It would also seem that in certain cases the law puts the cost of democratic primaries on the counties, taxpayers in general, but compels other parties to foot their own election expenses or dispense with a primary. That would be classed as class legislation and would hardly stand an appeal to the courts. Governor Ferguson will, of course, accord careful thought and attention to this matter, for, as readily as any other man, he can discern what is involved. A special session of the Texas legislature will be costly, and it is assumed that the chief executive would gladly avoid that expense. Yet, in view of the alternative greater expense to the people of carrying out the election laws as now framed, it may be believed that Governor Ferguson will not hesitate, even to convening the legislature, if he shall conclude that it is his duty to do so—and we imagine that such will probably be his conclusion."

There can be no denying the fact that the people of Texas are entitled to relief from the manifest injustice and heavy expense involved in the apparent obligation to hold four different primary elections next year, to say nothing of the confusion and inconvenience which such a multiplicity of resorts to the polls would entail. And there appears to be no relief outside a special session of the legislature. But it must be borne in mind that the trouble that exists now is the result of bunglesome work on the part of the legislature and unless the governor should call the special session especially for the purpose of rectifying the election laws and keep the minds of the legislators on that particular subject until the desired relief has been granted, we see little prospect of bettering things by a special session. For unless the chief executive restricts the work of the lawmakers to this particular subject there will be a tendency to distract the minds of the members with other pet measures and there would be none of the concentrated thought and effort on the simplification of the election laws which that tedious subject demands at the present time.

Friday's dispatches announced that Villa was about to give up his struggle against Carranza. We hope this report is more reliable than the numerous stories of the bandit's death. Drop a coin in some of the Salvation Army pots and thus help to boil a dinner for the deserving poor families of the city.

A FARMER WHO MADE GOOD.

Last spring a business firm at Gollad offered to sell any farmer who wanted to go into the turkey-raising business six hens and a gobbler at \$9.50 and take his note for that sum, payable at such time as the increase in the turkey crop should be sold. Last Saturday one of the farmers who accepted the proposition drove into Gollad with \$80 worth of turkeys, after having reserved enough for his family's use during the holidays and a good start toward next year. After cashing his check for \$80 he paid off that \$9.50 note and had \$70.50 cash surplus in addition to the turkeys he left at home.

All over the state bankers and business men are coming to see the wisdom of making advances to farmers who want to diversify by beginning the poultry, dairy and livestock business on a small scale, and wise farmers are taking advantage of it. Mixing the poultry, dairy and livestock business with cotton, corn, hay, potatoes, peas, peanuts and other feed and food stuffs spells independence for the farmer and prosperity for all the others of us, for when the farmer has plenty of money to spend, we all share in the benefits.

WACO'S NEW POSTMASTER.

General surprise marked the receipt of the news in Waco that C. B. McCollum, rather than his distinguished father, had been named postmaster in this city for the next four years, but that fact will not make any less cordial the congratulations that go to the young man on the signal honor that has been shown him. It has been known for two years or more that Senator McCollum could have Mr. Henry's recommendation for the postmastership if he wanted it, and since he decided that he did not want it himself, due to his preference for his newspaper work, we are not among those who might want to criticize him for designating his son for that position.

The young postmaster-designee has the capacity to make good in the big position that he will soon assume, and we are confident he will measure up to every responsibility. He is particularly fortunate in that he was in line for the biggest piece of federal pie to be distributed in Waco under the Wilson administration and we believe he will so apply himself to the job that he will demonstrate to those who had the appointing power that he was entitled to the place from other reasons than through the loyalty of himself and his family to the administration, and the congressman whose privilege it was to originally suggest his name.

Camille de Coppet, the new president of Switzerland, talks like a real statesman, and we are glad to see him promoted to the first office in his country.

That 74-year-old California woman who wanted to take one more flight before retiring to a quiet life got more than she bargained for. The grave will be very, very quiet, no doubt.

A small coin invested in the Red Cross Christmas Seals will help to prolong human life and obviate human suffering by combatting the dreaded white plague of tuberculosis.

Now that it develops that Mayor Woodward of Atlanta will veto the effort to recall him, it is up to the progressive people of that city to provide themselves with a more workable initiative, referendum and recall.

We trust that little \$40,000 fine which the attorney general imposed on the packing houses of the state will not deprive the employees of those concerns of their usual Christmas gifts.

Members of the Working Boys' Club are to be congratulated upon their decision to attend only their own Christmas tree and holiday celebrations this season, leaving the good things at the other trees and entertainments for other young people not so fortunate as themselves.

The present is not an opportune time to talk peace with the European belligerents, declares the new president of Switzerland. He is on the ground and ought to know, and as his country is neutral and surrounded by warring factions on every side, he would naturally prefer an early cessation of strife.

It required considerable nerve for the democrats in congress to extend the special war tax measures for another year in face of the fact that next year will witness a general election, but the decrease in the tariff revenues because of the war makes such a course inevitable and we believe the country will sustain the party in its course. The situation could have been met by the issue of Panama Canal bonds, but we admire the courage of the democrats in meeting the issue squarely, without any attempt at subterfuge.

SHREVEPORT RATE CASE IS REOPENED

AFTER FOUR YEARS OF LITIGATION MATTER BEING HEARD AGAIN AT HOUSTON.

Contention of Texas Is That There Is No Discrimination Against Louisiana City.

By The Associated Press.

Houston, Tex., Dec. 17.—After nearly four years of litigation during which time there has been a continued movement toward that complexity which has marked it as one of the most complicated of transportation problems, the Shreveport freight rate case was reopened in Houston Friday morning with Commissioner Henry C. Hall of the interstate commerce commission presiding.

The first day of the hearing of the case was marked by the introduction of all of the witnesses for Shreveport interests and the acceptance of thirty-nine exhibits offered by George T. Atkins, Jr., of the Shreveport Chamber of Commerce in which it was endeavored to cite specific instances of alleged discrimination in the matter of freight rates from Shreveport to jobbing territory in East Texas. The witnesses introduced by Shreveport interests were heads of concerns who complained because alleged discriminatory rate conditions limited their business activities in Texas territory. Witnesses for Houston interests will be introduced Saturday morning. It will be the contention of Houston interests that the present rates between Houston and Shreveport and competitive territory as established by the Texas railroad commission do not produce a discriminatory effect against Shreveport and an effort will be made to show that the action of the Louisiana railroad commission in involving the authority of the interstate commerce commission to establish an order that railroads shall remove the alleged discriminatory feature is not justified.

Good Samaritans Feed Hillsboro Poor

Special to the Morning News.

Hillsboro, Dec. 17.—The needy of the city were today given the taste of Good Samaritans by the timely distribution of a number of baked turkeys and food that was not placed on the tables at the banquet last night. Preparations were made to entertain 700 to 800 persons, but the weather interfered and there were only about 325 present. It was announced that the extra food would be put aside and distributed in the city this morning and this was done after a list of families was obtained from Mrs. Neuman, the charity worker. So with the ray of sunshine this morning there came to more than one home the evanescent bringing a banquet feast combined in the necessities of life. Many a little tot was made to smile and be happy, for the child, when the palate is appeased, is in a happy mood.

Fifty-nine candidates upon whom the Good Samaritan degree was conferred by Past Grand Master Walter Acker, assisted by conductor Lee Culbertson. The work continued until about 10:30 and the banquet followed as soon as the members could assemble in the Parr-Moore building on East Franklin street.

Following the invocation by Rev. M. O. Ewing, pastor of the Central church, the guests were invited to help themselves. The feast was delightful and in a quantity that can hardly be imagined.

Every lodge in Hill county was represented.

Big Personal Injury Suit.

Special to the Morning News.
Hillsboro, Dec. 17.—A. W. Boston has filed suit in the district court against the M. K. & T. Railway company for damages for personal injuries to the amount of \$20,000.

Lorena Girl Goes to Virginia.

Special to the Morning News.
Lorena, Dec. 17.—Miss Mary Willis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Willie Willis, of this place, left this evening for a two months' visit with relatives at Lynchburg, Va. She makes the trip from Waco to St. Louis on the new Katy steel train, "the Texas Special."

Pound Party at Mart.

Special to the Morning News.
Mart, Dec. 17.—The members of the Baptist church gave their pastor, Rev. J. W. Mayfield, a pound party last night at the conclusion of prayer meeting. This was done to show their appreciation of his services the past year.

Remedying Storm Damage.

Special to the Morning News.
Waco, Dec. 17.—The Home Light and Power company is putting in new posts and wires over town where the storms have made the lines weak. This work will necessitate the day electric current being turned off.

Pawn Shop Burglarized.

By The Associated Press.
San Angelo, Dec. 17.—Thieves early today threw a brick through the window of a local pawn shop, secured a quantity of jewelry, and fled. The loss has not been ascertained, and escaped.

Heavy Frost at San Angelo.

By The Associated Press.
San Angelo, Dec. 17.—The thermometer here registered 20 degrees above zero here early today. The section was covered with a heavy frost.

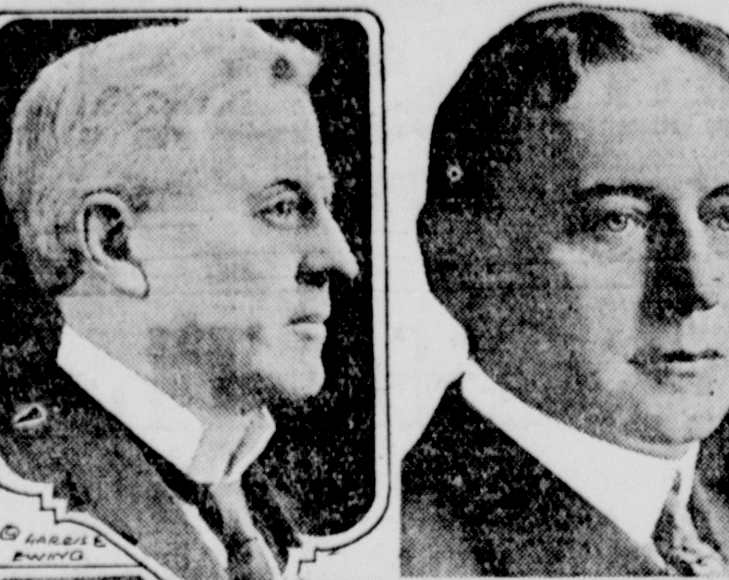
Ellis County Poor Farm in Bad Shape.

By The Associated Press.
Waxahatche, Dec. 17.—In its report to the district court here today the grand jury recommended improvement of conditions at the Ellis county farm where sanitary conditions were reported especially bad. The grand jury declared that prisoners were required to sleep on rotten bedding on bare floors, that whites and negroes used the same bath tub, and that prisoners were mistreated. One guard, the report stated, has a horse trained to bite prisoners who lag behind in their work on the farm.

Adopting Electrical Code Lowers Rate.

By The Associated Press.
Austin, Dec. 17.—The attorney general's department held today in an opinion to the state fire insurance commission that any city in Texas adopting the national electrical code may be allowed a proper credit on their key rate of insurance. There are several cities that will profit by this ruling, including Dallas and San Antonio. San Antonio is reduced to 17 cents. The question had been up for some time before the attorney general's department for a ruling.

WORKING ON THE NEW SHIPPING BILL



Left to right, top: Congressman Alexander and Solicitor Thurman. Bottom, Senator Fletcher, W. G. McAdoo and W. C. Redfield.

Congressman Joshua W. Alexander of Missouri, chairman of the house merchant marine and fisheries committee, is working on the draft of the administration substitute for the shipping bill that failed last year. It carries a \$50,000,000 appropriation for the purchase of merchant ships to be used as naval auxiliaries. Working in conference with him are Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo, Secretary of Commerce Redfield, Senator Fletcher of Florida and Solicitor Thurman of the department of commerce.

Marlin Methodist Ladies Send Fowls to Orphans' Home

Special to the Morning News.

Marlin, Tex., Dec. 17.—The ladies of the Methodist church today shipped to Waco for the orphans' home there, a coop of turkeys and chickens to aid in the Christmas preparations at the home. They are preparing to send one pair of boxes of linen and cakes next Tuesday. Mrs. J. W. Cook and Mrs. A. L. Branson form the committee in charge of the work, and the two ladies are working hard to have the present as large as possible this year.

Holidays at Marlin.

Special to the Morning News.
Marlin, Dec. 17.—The Marlin high school auditorium will be the scene of several Christmas holiday entertainments, among which will be the presentation of a program of Christmas exercises next Thursday morning by the intermediate department and the Italian band, one of the features of the Lyceum course, will present a special program.

Marlin to Have Good Jail.

Special to the Morning News.
Marlin, Dec. 17.—This city will soon have a good calaboose, as the city council took advantage of the offer of the county to secure a tier of cells from the old jail and a new building is now being constructed to house the cages. The new calaboose will be arranged with all cost to accommodate sixteen prisoners, while the old jail had two cells with wooden cot. The tier of cells was moved today and put in position for the walls to be constructed about it.

Business Section Rio Grande City Destroyed by Fire

By The Associated Press.

Corpus Christi, Dec. 17.—The entire business section of Rio Grande City, Starr county, with a population of about 1200, mostly Mexican, was destroyed by fire today with a loss of eighteen buildings and over \$50,000. No insurance was carried. Although one of the oldest towns on the Rio Grande border, it has no railroad within twenty-five miles. The origin of the fire is unknown.

Criminal Courts Busy.

By The Associated Press.
Austin, Dec. 17.—According to figures by the attorney general's department during the fiscal year ending August 31, 1915, there were 5,990 felony indictments returned, 2,957 convictions and 3,557 trials. Total years in the penitentiary assessed were 10,265 and death penalties numbered 15. Acquittals totaled 595, nolle prossed 3,546, and quashed numbers 62. Indictments for burglary numbered 1,855, trials 1,157, convictions 416, acquittals 108; forgery indictments numbered 913, trials 446, convictions 146, acquittals 36; murder indictments numbered 628, trials 434, convictions 294, acquittals 141. Theft indictments were 1,222 in number, trials 593, convictions 503 and acquittals 95. Robbery, embezzlement, rape, perjury and arson follow in the order named.

OUR YOUNG WOMEN

are so often subject to headache—are languid, pale and nervous—because their blood is thin or insufficient. They are not really sick and hesitate to complain, but they lack that ambition and vivacity which is their birthright. They do not need drugs—but do need tonic and nourishment in Scott's Emulsion that makes richer blood, fills hollow cheeks, suppresses nervousness and establishes strength. Nourishment alone makes blood and Scott's Emulsion is the essence of concentrated nourishment, free from wines, alcohols or opiates. If mother or daughter is frail, pale or nervous, give her Scott's for one month and see the betterment. It has a wholesome, "nutty" flavor. Avoid substitutes. At any drug store.

Scott & Bowne, Bloomfield, N.J. 15-24

State Banks Show Greatest Deposits in Texas History

By The Associated Press.

Austin, Tex., Dec. 17.—The condensed statement of the condition of state banks at last call on November 10, 1915, compared with previous call of September 2, shows:

An increase in total resources and liabilities of \$12,500,000.

Deposits increased nearly \$20,000,000.

Bills payable show a decrease of \$3,650,000.

Loans and discounts show a decrease of \$3,500,000.

Cash and exchange increased \$10,500,000.

Comparing the statement of condition of banks for the close of business November 10, 1915, with the statement of October 31, 1914, shows:

Loans and discounts are practically the same.

Overdrafts show a decrease of \$325,000.

Cash and exchange an increase of \$13,000,000.

Deposits an increase of \$27,000,000.

Bills payable a decrease of \$8,000,000.

Total resources and liabilities increased \$17,000,000.

The state banks under the call of November 10, 1915, show more deposits than at any previous time. Of the total deposits of \$101,000,000, \$95,800,000 are individual deposits.

Pro Election for Bee County.

By The Associated Press.

Beeville, Dec. 17.—County commissioners' court yesterday ordered a local option election in this (Bee) county on January 8 next. The last option election in 1912 was won by the anti-prohibitionists by a majority of 44.

More Signers Needed.

By The Associated Press.

Furt Work, Dec. 17.—It was admitted by a member of the recall committee this morning that the official record would show that the petitions asking the election to oust Mayor Tyra would not have enough signers and that it would be necessary to obtain more. It is necessary to have 20 per cent of the total qualified voters on such petitions. Many names have been stricken off by the checkers because the names did not agree with the poll tax lists.

Texas Matrons at Wedding Present.

By The Associated Press.

Houston, Dec. 17.—One of the unique wedding presents sent to Mrs. Edith Bolling Galt is a Texas cotton, the gift of W. T. Eldridge. This is the third present of the kind by Mr. Eldridge during President Wilson's administration, each of the president's daughters who has married receiving a similar remembrance as a wedding gift.

Jim Wells Antis Contest Election.

By The Associated Press.

Houston, Dec. 17.—Jims Wells county will not go dry until the ants have another fling. A contest was filed at Alice yesterday to suspend the prohibition decree to become effective January 14 on the ground that less than 250 qualified voters signed the petition for the recent election. Hearing has not been set.

Dallas Policeman Exonerated.

Special to the Morning News.

Dallas, Dec. 17.—The county grand jury Friday morning exonerated Patrolman J. C. Roddy, who shot and killed Pedro Elizondo, a Mexican, late Wednesday night. The Mexican was caught in the act of robbing another Mexican and when he fled Officer Roddy fired at the man. The bullet struck Elizondo in the thigh. He died from loss of blood. Officer Will Henry, who was working with Patrolman Roddy, arrested another Mexican and filed a charge of robbery against him.

Train Kills Man at Dallas.

Special to the Morning News.

Dallas, Dec. 17.—A. M. Archer, driver for the Burton Lumber company, was struck by a westbound Texas and Pacific freight train shortly before 3 o'clock Friday afternoon and instantly killed.

Carroll Schools Visited.

Special to the Morning News.

Gatesville, Dec. 17.—The state inspector of schools visited this county this week to inspect four schools in this county that had been applied for state aid under the law passed by the last legislature. County Superintendent J. C. McKelvey accompanied him in his inspection.

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McLENNAN STRONG AT TEXAS ORPHANS LOOKING FOR SANTY

This County Has Enrollment of 40 at State University, 30 of Whom Are Wacoans.

But They Will Not Find Him Unless Their Friends Aid Them in the Search.

Special to the Morning News.

Austin, Dec. 17.—McLennan county is represented at the University of Texas this year by the following students:

George Leslie Mixson, Ernest Grady Thornton, Eddy, Sam Oakes Gil, Paul Armstrong Langford, Mart; Pat Morris Nunn, McGregor; Warren Vance Keith, Charles Parker Kuykendall, Ruth St. John, Moody; Edward Young Boynton, Charles Henry Brooks, Jr., Sallie Amanda Cartwright, Sarah Louise Cotton, Ivan Ross Davidson, Addison Baker Duncan, William Hix Earle, Flora Isabel Edmond, James Archibald Edmond, Alfred Aubrey Evans, Abraham Morris Greenberg, James Greer, Egon Gus Haubold, Sydney Hawtolf, Westbrook Bowden Hays, Jr., Vashli Hubby, Dennis Jackson, Clitus Jones, William D. Mayfield, Fidelia Miller, Nettie Vee Moncrief, Nina Belle Payne, Dorothy Walters Renick, Emory Packler, Homans Roberts, Mary Shelton, Marvin Watterson Thomas, Willie Corral Thomas, Dewt Oscar Tyler, Louey Marion Tyler, Max Joachim Marsh, Lillian Madeline Marsh, Waco; Lillian Madeline Marsh, Waco.

Of these, Paul Armstrong, Pat Morris Nunn, Addison Baker Duncan, William Hix Earle, James Archibald Edmond, Marvin Watterson Thomas, Willie Corral Thomas and Max Joachim Werkenin are candidates for degrees and will probably be graduated from the university next June.

The university is now in its 32nd session and has registered a larger attendance than at any previous time in its history. Twenty-three hundred students are now enrolled at the main university at Austin (516 girls), and 300 at the medical department at Galveston. It is likely that the total registration before the end of the session will exceed 2800. Of course these figures take no account of the 1200 students taking work in the university by correspondence.

Texas thus has, easily, the largest registration of any university in the south.

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COMMITTEE RETAINS ORIGINAL TAX PLAN

ENTIRE SESSION TAKEN UP WITH DISCUSSION OF AMENDMENT ONCE PASSED.

IMPORTANT MATTERS ON SLATE

Amendments on Bond Limit and Initiative, Referendum and Recall Filed.

Running the gauntlet of two hours' of substitutes and amendments after being brought up for reconsideration, the majority report of the sub-committee proposing the semi-annual payment of taxes was adopted virtually as first presented to the charter revision committee at the regular weekly meeting last night. A larger attendance than has marked the meetings for the past several weeks was present last night but the business was confined practically altogether to the reconsideration of the tax sub-committee whose majority report providing for two payments instead of the minority recommendation of four installments was passed by a single vote at the meeting of the week previous.

Two reports regarding the clarification of the bond limit of the city and another providing for the initiative, referendum, recall and civil service are now filed with the committee and will probably be brought up at the next meeting. Owing to his removal from the city the resignation of W. A. Alexander of the Fifth ward was accepted with thanks for his faithful service, and his four associates empowered to nominate his successor at last night's meeting.

As it finally emerged from the tangle of motions the tax recommendation made by the sub-committee members, Frank T. West and John R. Spencer, with the chairman, Judge J. N. Gallacher dissenting, provides that taxes shall become due as at present the case on October 1 of each year; that an interest of 6 per cent begin to accrue on December 1, and that in case one-half of the total amount of the taxes be not paid by March 1, there shall be added a penalty of 10 per cent on the half due; that the next half of the taxes become due on June 1, and if not paid will be increased by a penalty of 10 per cent. In each instance the interest accrues on the portion not paid after December 1, and the penalty likewise applies of the half amount that is unpaid after the limit date.

Judge Gallacher's minority report which looked only at the expense being accepted in lieu of the majority report, provided for the payment of the taxes in four payments annually instead of two.

The amendments to the majority report providing for the penalty of 10 per cent to apply only on the half unpaid and that March 1 be designated when the penalty shall apply on the first half instead of December 1, were proposed by Judge M. C. H. Park.

The chief division of opinion in the committee arose over the matter of making divided payments and over the matter of applying the 10 per cent penalty. When finally amended the report was referred back to the original committee to incorporate the amendments in proper verbiage and present in its complete form.

Ex-Committee Chairman J. A. Littlefield was invited to address the committee on the point of distribution of funds in the various departments. It was Mr. Littlefield's opinion that with the exception of the street department, which was an unknown quantity, and the sprinkling, or sanitary department, which required more funds during the summer, the other departments should turn about the street department.

Speaking to the matter of the commission making undue expenditures when there was a surplus of funds immediately after the payment of the bond, Mr. Littlefield stated that the "average" commissioner would not be guilty of the "big boy" policy of spending money just because he had it in his pocket. As for the funds used in the street department, the speaker said that it depended on the weather, and he refused to act as an authority on "Texas weather."

Adjournment was taken until the first Friday night in January in view of the Christmas holidays.

State Asks Death Penalty, Jury Gives Mack Rose 10 Years

When County Attorney John B. McNamara asked for the death penalty in the Mack Rose case, the jury, after a long deliberation, and spoke of the hangman's noose and the gallows, many of the negroes in attendance on the trial plainly showed the feeling of awe which came over them. The verdict, which was reached after a long deliberation, was that Mack Rose be sentenced to ten years in the penitentiary.

This was the negro's third trial for the alleged murder of Florence Holway, a negro woman, on Christmas day, 1913. The case was first tried during the March, 1914, term and a ten year penalty was brought in. Judge Richard J. Munroe granted a new trial on the ground of newly discovered evidence. At the second trial in September, 1914, the jury failed to agree. It is claimed that Rose and another negro were in a negro bar on the day of the killing and that Rose handed a revolver to the other negro and told him to shoot if he was going to, which he did. It is then claimed that the two men ran down an alley. Rose was captured about two weeks later by Constable Leslie Stegall and Deputy Phil Hobbs. They also captured a negro, believed to have fired the bullet just a few months ago.

Miss Willis Corrects Wrong Impression

Because of a personal in the local press mentioning the fact that I was going away to spend the holidays, some of my friends seemed to get the idea that I was relinquishing my interest in the merchants' voting contest. This is altogether erroneous. I wish to assure my friends that I shall especially appreciate their co-operation in the last days of the contest.

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Sunday School Institute Begins at Avenue Church

W. E. Hawkins of Fort Worth, Sunday school field secretary for the Central Texas conference of the Methodist Episcopal church, South, spoke to quite a number of Sunday school workers last night at the Austin Avenue Methodist church at the opening session of a Sunday school institute.

Taking "Success" for his subject, Mr. Hawkins said that in order to have success a vision was primarily necessary and that a motive was indispensable. He spoke of the fundamentals of success in Sunday school work, saying that the life led always spoke louder than the teaching imparted.

Meetings will be held again at 10 this morning and 3 this afternoon, to which all Sunday school workers are invited.

LOCAL COURTS

NINETEENTH DISTRICT COURT.

Tom L. McCullough, Judge.
R. V. McClain, Clerk.
No final orders.

FIFTY-FOURTH DISTRICT COURT.

Nat Harris, Special Judge.
R. V. McClain, Clerk.
State vs. Mack Rose, murder; jury verdict guilty; ten years in the penitentiary.
State vs. James Kelly, murder; instructed verdict of not guilty.
State vs. John Williams, murder; on trial.

State vs. F. H. Meyer, forgery; plea of guilty; two years' suspended sentence.
State vs. G. J. Richardson, disposing of mortgaged property; plea of guilty; two years' suspended sentence.

SEVENTY-FOURTH DISTRICT COURT

Erwin J. Clark, Judge.
R. V. McClain, Clerk.
No final orders.

COUNTY COURT.

George N. Denton, Judge.
J. W. Baker, Clerk.

State vs. Roy Teal, alias Roy Brown, embezzlement; fined \$1 and give one hour in jail.
Motion docket will be called at 9 o'clock this morning.

Minutes for term will be signed at noon.
Estate of C. M. Clisbee, deceased, application to probate will; Rose Clisbee confirmed as independent executrix.

Guardianship of Eula Bird and Ottilie Nathaniel Sanders and Nina Ruth Zinn, minors; O. H. Sanders confirmed as guardian; bond approved; inventory and appraisal approved.

Marriage Licenses.
Clay McHargue and Miss Jessie Campbell.
Will Kamme and Miss Ruth Holdick.
Willie Vaughn and Miss Mollie Harbison.
Henry Howell and Miss Effie Robinson.

Speegleville Woman Dies.
Mrs. Catherine Mitchell, 20 years old, died at 1:30 yesterday afternoon at the family residence, two miles west of Speegleville. Surviving are her husband, Floyd Mitchell, her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Flem Ewing, five brothers and one sister. Funeral services will be held at the Speegleville church this afternoon, with interment at the Speegleville cemetery.

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An Electrical Christmas

A Merry Christmas

Gen. Robertson May Be New Head Confederate Home

Gen. Felix H. Robertson of Crawford, commander of the Texas division of the United Veterans of the Confederacy, is one whose name is being prominently mentioned for the superintendency of the Confederate home for the aged veterans at Austin. The resignation of Dr. A. C. Oliver becomes effective on January 1, and the board of managers of the home meet on December 31 and the election of a successor may be made at that time.

General Robertson was for a number of years a citizen of Waco until his change of residence to Crawford. He is among the best known Confederates in the south.

National Publicity for Good Roads and Prosperity Banquet

The great open air prosperity banquet which was the principal feature of Electrical Prosperity week in Waco has been the occasion of much comment from the press of the country. The latest issue of the Electrical World, a trade magazine of nationwide circulation, gives a photograph of the banquet the honor place at the beginning of the section devoted to reports of the observation of prosperity week all over the country.

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FEDERAL BUILDING MAY BE ENLARGED, ADDITION TO EAST

No direct offer for the Clark property adjoining the federal building has been made by the government as yet, according to T. B. Pearson, one of the owners of the property. Dispatches from Washington that Representative R. L. Henry had introduced a bill appropriating \$60,000 for the purchase of the property have aroused a great deal of interest in Waco.

Mr. Pearson stated last night that no offer had been made the owners of the property, nor had they been asked by the government to set a price on the property, which is 75x165 feet, and located on Franklin street immediately adjoining the postoffice property. Mr. Pearson stated, however, that the price of the property was generally known to real estate men of the city, and had been set at \$60,000.

Some months ago valuations of real estate in several locations in the business section of the city were obtained for the federal government. It was presumed that plans were being made to build a new government building. Congressman Henry's bill gives evidence that it is the plan to enlarge the present structure so as to be able to care for the added business caused by the parcels post.

Fifth St. Methodist Sunday School Plans Xmas Entertainment

The Christmas entertainment of the Fifth Street Sunday school will be different this year. Heretofore they have had a tree, and while they have always given their part to charity, this year the spirit of Christmas giving will be exemplified by each member bringing some gift on next Sunday night for the needy and poor who may thus be made happy. The usual Christmas tree will be omitted.

The primary department, each member of which is to bring some little gift, will enact in pantomime the story of "Why the Chimes Rang," which beautiful little Christmas story will be related by Miss Leta Pharr—a story of a poor little boy, whose gift of his all was more appreciated than that of nobles and princes.

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Advertising Campaign Planned in Interest of South—Meetings Adjourn.

By The Associated Press.
Charleston, S. C., Dec. 17.—Endorsement of "all the policies and principles of a national and international character announced by President Wilson," plans for a nationwide advertising campaign in the interest of the South's resources and opportunities and preliminary steps toward organizing a committee to present to the American people a "peace bell," as a "token of the love and affection of the South to all the people of the land" occupied the attention of delegates to the Southern Commercial congress here late today.

Other resolutions adopted approved the plans of the national administration for rural credits legislation and a "great merchant marine," and outlined the plans of the congress for the coming year.

The congress also requested the federal government to take steps to guarantee the shipment of tobacco to neutral countries without restrictions, and the various interests of the south were urged to call upon congress to seek the co-operation of Southern trade bodies.

The suggestion of a "peace bell" was made by Benjamin Altheimer of St. Louis. Senator Duncan U. Fletcher, president of the congress, was empowered to appoint a committee to promote the project. It was planned to pay for the bell by getting each school boy and girl to give one cent each.

Resolutions calling for federal appropriations and legislation to enable federal, state and city officials to establish joint offices for aiding the unemployed were adopted at a conference of southern state and municipal officers after discussion of the question with Secretary of Labor Wilson. The congress endorsed the plan.

Among other subjects endorsed by the congress were:

Inland waterways, national and state aid for better highways, efforts of the American Bar association to establish joint procedure and practice of courts, organization of a semi-official national chamber of agriculture as proposed by the Association of Southern Agricultural Commissioners, which met here with the congress; efforts being made by various organizations to pass laws for establishment of co-operative marketing, purchasing and credit societies for the benefit of American farmers.

The women's auxiliary to the congress adopted resolutions favoring enactment of legislation to abolish child labor; enforce compulsory education and factory inspection; minimum wages and maximum work hours in mines, factories and mercantile establishments employing women and children.

A proposal that the auxiliary co-operate in organizing state and county branches of the League to Enforce Peace also was endorsed.

All of the resolutions adopted by the auxiliary were approved by the congress. The six warships of the Atlantic fleet sent here for the congress under command of Rear Admiral Coffman, sailed late today for North Atlantic ports.

Six Hundred Horses for Use of the Allies Drown at New York

Big Bunch of Texas Raised Animals on Barge That Sinks in North River.

By The Associated Press.
New York, Dec. 17.—Nearly six hundred horses, most of them raised in Texas, valued at an average of \$200 each and consigned to Brest, France, for the use of allied armies, were drowned in the North river this afternoon when a barge sprung a leak and sank. The animals were to be transferred to the steamer Anglo-Californian for transportation to France. The barge went to the bottom soon after the loading of the animals on the steamer had begun.

The Anglo-Californian, beside which the barge sank, was lying at the pier at which the steamer Graceland loaded with sugar for Great Britain was moored when she was discovered after on July 23 last. The fire on the Graceland was believed to have been caused by a bomb.

State Closes Case Against New Haven

By The Associated Press.
New York, Dec. 17.—Testimony intended to show that Edward D. Robbins, former general counsel of the New York, New Haven and Hartford railroad caused to be spirited to Canada the books and assets of the Billard company and tried to prevent them from being produced before the interstate commerce commission and the grand jury was presented today by the government, which closed its case against Robbins and ten other former directors of the road on trial for alleged violation of the Sherman law. The trial now has been in progress two months and several days.

Kitchener Denies Reported Engagement

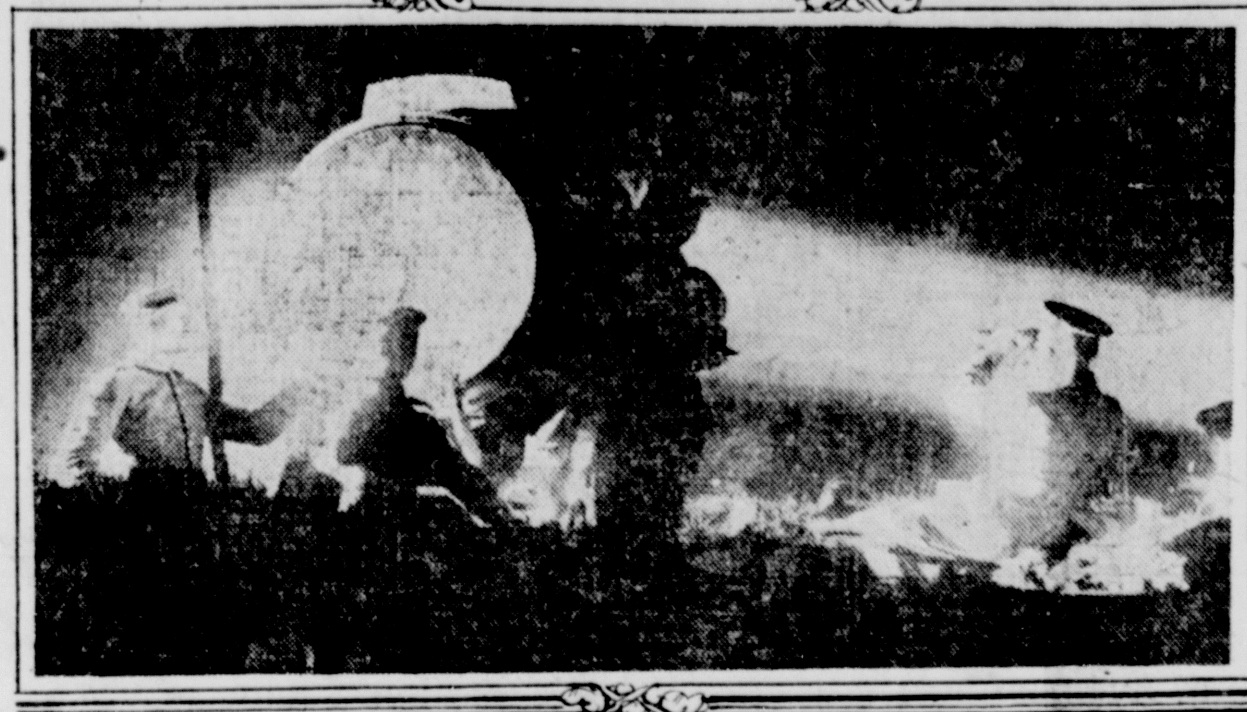
By The Associated Press.
London, Dec. 17.—It was officially announced tonight by the private secretary to Earl Kitchener, British secretary of war, that the report of the engagement of Earl Kitchener to the Dowager Countess of Minto was untrue. The announcement says: "The report is absolutely without any foundation."

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GERMAN CABINET OFFICERS PAY VISIT TO THE POLISH FRONT



Left to right, in auto: Delbruck, the chancellor's representative; Minister of Interior Loebell; Under Secretary Drews. Bottom, German searchlights at night.

These pictures, just received from Germany, show recent activities on the Polish front. The trip of the cabinet ministers to the eastern fighting line was an important event of last month. The lower photo shows Germans using the powerful new searchlights to aid them in night fighting. These lights have a range of eight miles even on a cloudy night.

WAR DEPARTMENT REPORT MADE PUBLIC

SYSTEM OF COAST DEFENSE IS GOOD BUT SHORT THOUSANDS OF SOLDIERS.

Batteries of 16-Inch Guns Recommended for All Major Ports. Army Death Rate Low.

By The Associated Press.
Washington, Dec. 17.—War department bureau reports made public tonight disclose the following facts about the army of the United States and its coast defenses:

The system of coast defenses is "the most formidable in the world," but is short 330 officers and 19,825 men of the regular establishment and 271 officers and 9,897 men of the National Guard to man all forts and mine defenses. Congress has appropriated \$175,000,000 to establish the present system but at present batteries which cost forty-one million dollars are without trained personnel to man them.

Batteries of 16-inch 50 calibre guns are recommended as the primary armament of all major forts in order that the enemy ships may be kept at great distance. Mobile howitzer batteries of 16-inch, 17-inch, or even larger guns are urged to supplement the permanent forts, the howitzers to be fired from railroad cars or motor trucks.

The full strength of the army on June 30 last was 195,993 officers and men, 68,225 of whom were in the field in the federal service. The United States, 14,480 of this number being on duty on or near the Mexican border. Vacancies in the enlisted forces were reduced from 9,573 in 1914 to 1,784 the year having seen 48,113 recruited, of whom nearly 90 per cent were born in the United States.

On October 31 the full strength of the organized militia was 8,795 officers and 127,692 men, just 21,571 below required enlisted strength of the organizations. Inspecting officers estimate it would require from ten to twelve months to put the militia in the field in the federal service.

There were 22,213 students enrolled in ninety-six schools having military courses and graduates from these schools since 1910 numbered 39,430.

The coast artillery established scores of 59 per cent hits with 10-inch guns and 52 per cent hits with 12-inch guns at five thousand yard ranges, as against 25 per cent and 46 per cent, respectively, in 1913; at ten thousand yards the scores were 35 per cent with the ten and 19 per cent with the twelve, as against 13 and 14 per cent in 1913.

The army death rate was 4.4 compared with 5.15 the year before. There were only seven cases of typhoid fever out of a total mean strength of personnel of 98,649. A new low record was set for tuberculosis at 3.50 for all troops.

Lord De La Ware Dies.
By The Associated Press.
London, Dec. 17.—Earl De La Ware died yesterday at Messina from rheumatic fever followed by pneumonia. He had been serving in the Dardanelles.

Gilbert George Reginald Sackville, eighth Earl De La Ware, was 46 years old. He succeeded to the title in 1896. His son, Lord Buckhurst, who is 15 years old and a student at Eton, is his heir.

St. Louis to Meet Tulane.
By The Associated Press.
St. Louis, Dec. 17.—The athletic director of St. Louis university announced today that arrangements had been completed for a football game between St. Louis and Tulane university to be played at New Orleans October 28, 1916.

HE BRINGS COSTLY GIFTS FOR MRS. GALT



Dr. A. J. de Oliveira Botelho.
Brazil has added to the wedding gifts waiting for the White House nuptials. Dr. A. J. de Oliveira Botelho, the first delegate to arrive in Washington for the second Pan-American Scientific Congress, Dec. 27 to Jan. 8, has brought a brace of precious Brazilian gems and a corsage of tropical birds' feathers, declared to be very rare. Dr. Botelho is internationally famous as a tuberculosis specialist. He claims to have found a cure for the disease in a bloodless and painless operation.

Arkansas Project Will Be Modified; Missouri Continued

By The Associated Press.
Washington, Dec. 17.—Modification of the present project for improving the Arkansas river so that it will embrace only removal of snags from the mouth to Ozark at \$35,000 annually, was recommended to congress today by the war department.

Continuance of the ten year project for a permanent six foot channel in the Missouri river from its mouth to Kansas City despite an adverse report of the district engineer in charge, was recommended to congress today by the war department. The project involves expenditure of twenty million dollars.

Arrests for Depew Bank Robbery.
By The Associated Press.
Dec. 17.—Robert L. Cummings and Charles Briscoe are in jail here charged with having robbed the Farmers State Bank at Depew of \$4,000 in a daylight raid on the bank last Monday afternoon. Cummings owns two large ranches near here. Briscoe is not well known in the community. Neither offered resistance to the officers making the arrest.

Peruvian Indians Revolt.
By The Associated Press.
Lima, Peru, Dec. 17.—A serious revolt of Indians in the department of Puno is reported. The perfect of the department, in a message to officials here states that he is going to the scene of the revolt and hopes to arrange for a peaceful termination.

Gas Poisoning.
Let us figure with you on your gas work. The Lane Co., both phones.—Adv.

BASEBALL PEACE NOW SEEMS ASSURED

FEDERAL LEAGUE TO BE DROPPED BUT PLAYERS' CONTRACTS TO BE OBSERVED.

Plans Will Be Carried Out If Judge Landis Raises No Objections.

By The Associated Press.
New York, Dec. 17.—Peace in organized baseball seemed nearer late tonight when a conference between the National Commission, representing the National and American leagues, and a committee from the Federal league adjourned. The chief point of discussion at the meeting was the legality of concluding an agreement before Judge K. M. Landis hands down a decision in the suit brought before him by the Federal league. Counsel for both sides gave assurances, however, that there were no legal obstacles in the way but advised that Judge Landis be consulted before a settlement is signed.

American league attorneys, it is understood, will get in touch with Judge Landis tonight or early tomorrow, and obtain his consent to a dismissal of the case, after which another meeting will be held here to ratify the terms of peace.

The conference adjourned at 11:45 tonight until 10 o'clock tomorrow morning. While no official announcement was made, the impression was given that if Judge Landis raises no barrier all that will remain to be done will be to work out the details of a treaty which will put an end to the strife which has rent professional baseball. The Federal league will be represented at this conference by James A. Gilmore, Harry Sinclair and Charles Weeghman.

Some of the terms of the tentative peace league and the minor organizations got together for an informal meeting at 5 o'clock. The American league magnates were in session by themselves. A little later the American league appeared and the representatives of the Federal and the minors were requested to withdraw while the chiefs of organized baseball conferred.

An agreement was reached to approve the tentative peace plan entered into by the National and Federal leagues. The draft of which was carried to the American league in session at Chicago by Barney Dreyfuss. The special committee appointed to confer with the Federal league was discharged and the details of peace negotiations were turned over to the National Commission, composed of Garry Hermann, chairman, and Presidents Johnson and Tener, which at 9 o'clock went into session. Federal representatives went into the conference at 9:10 o'clock.

Prior to the meeting President Gilmore of the Federals declared he was not on hand to drive a bargain. He stated that his league had certain concrete

propositions to lay before organized baseball, the acceptance of which would mean peace. Declining to state the number or the nature of the proposals, he mentioned only the players who have thrown in their lot with the Federals.

"These men," he said, "and I guess they number 175, will have to be reinstated and given a chance to play in major league company if they are worth it. Their contracts with us must be lived up to."

Mr. Gilmore declined to talk of his plans for the future or to comment on the report of an offer to head the Chicago Nationals if they are acquired by Mr. Weeghman.

Mr. Sinclair, who has been represented as the coming owner of the New York Nationals, declared the rumor ridiculous. He said he neither had bought nor would buy the team.

While the conference was in progress a throng of ball players, managers and fans crowded into the hotel corridors, all seeking news.

House Burns at Mart.
Special to The Morning News.
Mart, Dec. 17.—The W. A. Lucas two-story residence, now belonging to Ed Mathews, was burned about 8 o'clock tonight, being a total loss. Most of the family of J. R. Garred, who occupied the house, were in Waco, the remainder being at a moving picture show when the fire was discovered, so the cause of the fire is not known. Insurance on the house was for \$2,000. A serious conflagration was threatened, several adjoining buildings being blistered before the firemen got the flames under control.

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HOME TEAMS LOSE IN BOWLING LEAGUE

Home teams had bad luck last night in the City Bowling league, the Elks dropping the second of three games to the Knights of Columbus and the Y. M. C. A., only being able to take one game from the D. C. V. Vogt of the Y. M. C. A. rolled 210 pins in the second contest, that being the high mark of the evening. The scores:

Knights of Columbus—	157	159	154—470
Elks—	137	137	—174
Shepard—	145	152	149—446
Smith—	161	131—292	
O'Neill—	158	130—489	
Thompson—	145	135—408	
Brant—	172	151—323	
Peelies—	162	163—325	
Totals—	784	785	680—2249
Elks—	141	157	140—438
Knights—	145	152	149—446
Davis—	157	137—408	
Wosnig—	127	153—280	
McNulloch—	151	126—277	
Fancie—	162	163—325	
Totals—	758	776	821—2355
On the Y. M. C. A. Alleys.			
D. C. V.—	181	161	183—525
Reaman—	164	177	171—512
Shepard—	158	172	159—489
Rondthaler—	116	116	—232
Heineman—	116	116	—232
Joist—	174	174	—348
Fancie—	174	174	—348
Totals—	793	828	851—2472
Y. M. C. A.—	169	167	131—467
Lilley—	150	176	134—460
Wheatley—	153	110—263	
Lagow—	180	156—336	
Brant—	165	210—375	
Vogt—	147	168	158—473
Hagedorn—	174	174	—348
Totals—	754	901	758—2413

MANDOT AND WOLGAST LOSE.

By The Associated Press.
New York, Dec. 17.—Benny Leonard of New York knocked out Joe Mandot of New Orleans in the seventh round of a 10-round match here tonight. Leonard weighed 155 and Mandot 124½.

Ad Wolgast of Cadillac, Mich., was unable to toe the mark in the seventh round of a ten-round match with Leo Cross of this city. Wolgast entered the ring with a patch over one eye, the result of a cut received in a recent fight. Cross took the first two rounds and the former champion the fourth and fifth. Wolgast received a severe beating in the sixth and was unable to continue. Joe Welling of Chicago outpointed Young Brown of this city in ten rounds.

WHITE-WELSH MATCH OFF.

By The Associated Press.
Excelsior Springs, Mo., Dec. 17.—Charles White, the Chicago lightweight, announced tonight that he had received a telegram from his manager, Nate Lewis, who is in New York, informing that his championship match with Freddie Welsh had been called off. No reasons were given, according to White.

Picture Frames at Cameron's.—Adv.

Phosphate of lime deposits have been found near Banff.

The Northern Pacific railroad has ordered 2000 cars especially for handling fruit. Cost, \$3,500,000.

Branch, N. Y. is annoyed because porcupines have taken to invading the village streets in numbers.

There are 22,000 union carpenters in Pennsylvania.

Coal Tar, Roofing, Pitch and Tarred Felt for sale in any quantity by Torbett & Germond Company, Fourteenth and Franklin streets. Both phones.—Adv.

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WORK.

AFFAIRS OF CHURCH DISCUSSED

Reports Show Congregation in Excel-
lent Financial Condition—Will Meet
Again Early in New Year.

Following up a movement whose inauguration was planned some six months ago, the laymen of the Columbus Street Baptist church met last night to effect a permanent organization of the men of that church. A similar meeting had on two previous occasions been planned, but due each time to deaths among the membership was postponed.

Last night's meeting was marked by enthusiasm such as has never been before manifested among the men of the membership and congregation. There were some two hundred present—consisting of ages from fifteen to sixty-five. The speakers were all cheerfully applauded and evidences of greater devotion and brotherly spirit prevalent came from every angle.

A motion that the pastor of the church designate a committee to draft an outline of a permanent organization carried. Officers will be elected at a later meeting.

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Preceding the rendition of the program proper and impromptu addresses, the audience was entertained in the main auditorium with a piano solo by Miss Louise Lawson and a vocal solo by Mrs. G. J. Rousseau, the latter being accompanied at the piano by Harry Lee Spencer.

Following the musical numbers, the Woman's Auxiliary of the church was host to the congregation, serving them with a four-course banquet. J. E. Turner was toastmaster.

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Round table discussion on "How to Make Our Finances Go" was led by J. E. Turner. Two minute addresses on this topic were heard from R. H. Berry, T. M. Hamilton, T. O. Glover, D. P. Wallace and O. M. Weatherby. Edgar E. Witt and G. J. Rousseau gave impromptu addresses in appreciation of such a gathering and what it meant to the individual through religious work.

F. M. Allen was assigned the subject, "The Ladies—Our Hostesses." He outlined the splendid work which he observed had been accomplished during the past history of the church by the women.

Among the discussion was pointed out that during the present pastorate the membership has been doubled, it being now more than one thousand. Mr. Frank S. Groper came to the church as pastor from Stamford four years ago and during this period the increase from 400 to 500 members to the present number.

The church has been organized fourteen years, has assets to the extent of \$60,000 with an income of approximately twenty per cent.

The matter of the erection in the near future of a large Sunday school annex was touched upon lightly last night. This has been on the minds of some of the leaders of the congregation for some months, and it is expected that before many months plans will be completed.

The plan of raising the budget for next year was briefly touched upon. In accordance with previous announcement, the membership has been asked to remain at their homes next Sunday afternoon when committees will visit them to secure their pledges to the current expense items of the church. Nine committees have been appointed and will canvass the entire membership Sunday afternoon next, beginning at 2 o'clock.

A report from the treasurer, J. E. Turner, was read on the year 1915 up to December 1. Despite the unfavorable conditions financially, the church is now in the best condition in this respect during its entire history.

Announcement was made that a layman of the Columbus Street church had agreed to pay the monthly salary of pastor of Baptist Mexican church of the city, amounting to \$70. Rev. Mr. Moy, pastor of the Mexican church, spoke briefly concerning the special holiday program to be rendered by his church.

There were twenty ladies present, acting as hostesses.

The next meeting will be announced during the earlier part of 1916.

Malaria is common in India, and one-sixth of the world's supply of quinine is consumed in that country.

An artificial oil of geranium made of phenol has been invented in France for perfuming soap.

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Quickly.

By The Associated Press.

Paris, Dec. 17.—(Lid) Jeassu, the young emperor of Abyssinia is so favorably disposed toward the entente allies that he not only resisted efforts of German agents to induce him to abrogate treaties with Great Britain, Italy and France last year, but offered 200,000 soldiers to be used by the allies as their military necessities demanded, according to Pierre Alype, a member of the colonial committee of the chamber of deputies.

M. Alype made this assertion in connection with the resolution now before the foreign affairs and colonial committees of the chamber offered by Gratien Candace, a negro deputy from Guadeloupe, that the French government, in accord with the allies of France, seek immediately the means of assuring the co-operation of Abyssinian troops under a guarantee of the independence of that country.

With regard to this proposition, it is recalled that the late King Menelik, concluded a treaty of alliance with France in 1907. M. Alype pointed out that the French railroad connecting the French port of Djibuti with Addis Ababa in Abyssinia would make possible the rapid transportation of troops to the coast, where, within four days they could reach Suez, or in five days Basora in Mesopotamia.

The Abyssinian troops, he also noted, are already well armed having from 800,000 to 1,000,000 modern rifles all manufactured since 1911, partly in Germany, but for the most part by Belgium.

The co-operation of the Japanese fleet is suggested for the transportation of the Abyssinian troops to Egypt or Mesopotamia.

Eating Limburger
Lowers Death Rate
in Wisconsin Town

By The Associated Press.

Monroe, Wis., Dec. 17.—Physicians of Green county, which had the lowest death rate in the state last summer, attribute the healthy condition of the community to the eating of limburger cheese.

Last year 3,640,465 pounds of this cheese were produced in the county and as a staple of food it largely displaced meat.

The quarterly report of the state board of health just issued gave Green county a death rate of 7.2 per thousand compared with 9.2 for the state at large.

Levita Pioneer Dies.

Special to the Morning News.
Gatesville, Dec. 17.—Jerome B. Squyers, aged about 70 years, died at his home near Levita. His father came to this country before its organization and he had been a citizen ever since. He left a large family of children and other relatives. He was the father of twenty-three children.

Picture Frames at Cameron's—Adv.

Canada yearly produces 130,000,000 pounds of cheese.

Williams Negro on
Trial for Murder
of Another Negro

The trial of John Williams, charged with the murder of Allison Criner, negro, was begun yesterday in the Twenty-fourth district court. Previous to the beginning of the trial, an instructed verdict of not guilty was brought in in the case against James Kelly, on a similar charge.

It was during the sheriff's convention here last summer that the killing occurred. Deputy Sheriff John Morgan was assigned to the case when Criner's body was found. Going to the place he picked up Kelly on suspicion and Kelly made a statement, alleging that Williams performed the crime.

Williams had fled into the wilds of Limestone county, so getting a Limestone county constable to go with him. Deputy Morgan started in pursuit. The negro was discovered sitting in front of a shanty with his gun across his knees. The officers got the drop on him and he threw away his gun and ran. Just as he was about to outdistance his pursuers Mr. Morgan took careful aim, wounding him in the leg. Williams tried to lay the blame for the killing on Kelly.

The jury was empaneled yesterday and it is expected that the case will go to the jury some time today.

Adventist Missionary Work.
By The Associated Press.

Minneapolis, Minn., Dec. 17.—The North American division of Seven Day Adventists collected \$615,555.95 for foreign missionary work in 1914, according to a report made public today by Bishop Charles Thompson, Minneapolis, president of the northern union conference.

"Missions are being conducted in 117 languages," says the report.

Christmas Pictures at Cameron's—Adv.

Picture Frames at Cameron's—Adv.

Germans Offer to
Exchange Dr. Beland
for Von Rintelen

By The Associated Press.

Montreal, Dec. 17.—The German government has offered to exchange Dr. Henri S. Beland, former postmaster general of Canada, for Capt. Franz von Rintelen, according to advices received here today by Arthur E. Erement, a former member of parliament. Dr. Beland was captured at the fall of Antwerp.

Capt. von Rintelen was removed by British officers from a steamer while en route from the United States to Holland. He has been held as a prisoner of war in England ever since and several reports stated that he was in the power of London under sentence of death for espionage. He has been named many times recently as having directed an alleged conspiracy to foment strikes in ammunition plants in the United States and is under indictment at New York for obtaining a false passport on which he was traveling when taken prisoner by the British.

The communication to Mr. Erement was from Premier Borden, who said that Andrew Bonar Law, British colonial secretary, had requested Vatican authorities to petition for Dr. Beland's release.

Admiral Leaves Scholarships.
By The Associated Press.

New York, Dec. 17.—Under the will of Rear Admiral Nicol Ludlow, who died December 9, last, leaving an estate valued at more than \$50,000, the income from \$15,000 is left to the Emma Willard school for girls at Troy, N. Y., to be used "toward assisting daughters of commissioned line officers of the United States navy in obtaining educational advantages," and an equal sum to St. Paul's school for boys at Concord, N. H., for the education of sons of line officers.

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At the Orpheum



Deloys Musical Company at the Orpheum next week.

THEATRES

GRIFFITH TRIANGLE PLAY
AT HIPPODROME TODAY

"The Lily and the Rose" to Be Shown
With New Keystone Comedy.

These are days when the quick thinkers help those dependent upon them and naturally, themselves. Manager Everett of the Hippodrome theatre yesterday to Dallas, headquarters for the Hulsey theatres, which are a chain of which the Hippodrome is an important link.

When Mr. Everett advised Dallas that the Fox feature advertised for Friday and Saturday did not arrive an arrangement was made to show Griffith's newest Triangle play, "The Lily and the Rose," which is to be the feature at the theatre today.

One critic has said that it seems inevitable that the old plots must appear on the screen. That is true enough; old plots must not disappear. That is because the screen pictures life as it is and as we wish it to be; life as it is, is a repetition, continuous and endless, of love and hate, joy and thoughtfulness, sorrow and joy, with their causes and results; life as we wish it to be also made up of some phase of these great intangible emotions, is the best of what we have experienced in reality or in our dream world, for we cannot wish for what we have not seen or known or had a vision of. Few indeed of us can dream "dreams no human ever dared to dream before." There is nothing new, as old as the world and hate was born with taste of the fruit from the Tree of Knowledge. From these all things have their beginning and their end. There are no new plots.

One wonders then why we have not perished from monotony and the grind of sameness; its because these great basic emotions and principles never grow old; they embody visions of the future, they persuade hope; and for every mortal there are in them undiscovered phases, unlearned and unsuspected. These lovers, and these, and these, are fluttered by the same heartbeats that caused the flowers to glow and skies to beam to the pair in the Garden of Eden; Cupid's arrows are all alike. And yet there is no lover under the sun who does not believe in his heart that no human ever loved as he does. Because the experience is new to him does not make love new; and on the other hand, because people have loved and hated since the world was born does not depreciate the emotion to the last man. Thus it goes; nothing is new, but everything is new to the individual. There is no new plot, but some phase to every plot is now to the individual and some development can be effected in every story under the sun that dress the old in the garb of the new and give a wonderful appeal.

The real problem is to effect that development. Already the world has recognized and welcomed David Wark Griffith as the man, the poet, the creator, the artist with the master touch, who can present the humanness, the shadow, and soften the glaring hues so that his finished masterpiece is welcomed by old and young alike. Just so has he created the last offering of his studio, "The Lily and the Rose."

With dainty Lillian Gish as the "adorable" Lily, in fact "the most adorable Lily in the garden of girls," and entrancing Rozsika Dolly as the crimson Rose of the dance hall paradise, this old, old story of the struggle of two women for one man has its

tragedy, and peace that is "new." Reader in a typical southern village by two typical southern maiden aunts, the Lily blossomed into beautiful purity and though admired and coveted by the old-fashioned boy next door, she was plucked by the fascinating man of the world from the great city. As long as she was nurtured and cherished, her beauty grew as did her fragrant purity; but when the man whose love was her life turned to the glowing beauty of the crimson Rose, the Lily dropped. She made a brave effort to be the greater attraction to the man, but the flaunting, crimson glow of the Rose made the other's beauty pale by contrast and the man chose the Rose while the Lily returned to the old-fashioned southern garden to regain her delicate loveliness in her joy in the little blossom given her.

The Rose, though, required the attention of many gardeners, and when the man realized this life was no longer a garden of flowers to him and he sought peace in death. To the Rose this death was nothing; to the wife but a call for great pity and forgiveness. And after all the Lily blossomed again in greater beauty and purity in the beloved garden of the old-fashioned boy next door.

The Sennett comedy that will play with this whimsical Griffith story is called "The Village Scandal," and is a jolly laugh throughout the two reels of fun furnished by Raymond Hitchcock, Flora Zabelle, and "Fatty" Arbuckle, the village Pat Boy. Hitchcock, the jester, wins from Fatty the affections of his heart, but how Fatty's own interest, its own sorrow, beauty, fixed things was more than effective. These two Triangles will show at the Hippodrome today, also Monday and Tuesday.

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Men's Hats in the Newer Styles

Late styles are here for your inspection in both the new Felts and the new Derbies. Also the correct shapes in Opera and Silk Hats. We cater to your idea of both price and quality. Knox Hats, Stetson Hats, Roston Hats and Kenwick Hats. Prices Range from \$2.00 Up

Umbrellas and Walking Sticks

Every man should be the possessor of an Umbrella and Walking Stick. Besides being articles of protection and support, they add tone and character to the appearance. Our holiday lines were never so choice or complete.

Walking Sticks \$1.25 to \$2.50
Umbrellas \$1.00 to \$17.50

Men's Handkerch'fs

A wonderful holiday showing of Men's Handkerchiefs in handsome boxes ready for presentation. All sorts, all prices; Silk, Linen or Mixed fabrics. All styles, plain, hemstitched, bordered, patterned or initialed.

Men's Gloves

No man ever had too many, for a different shade for each Suit or Overcoat is not amiss. You cannot go wrong in a selection of Gloves, especially here, where qualities and styles are the best. Gloves for all occasions, for dress, street, motoring, driving, etc.

Dress Gloves \$1.50 to \$5.00
Motor Gloves \$2.00 to \$5.00

Gift Shippers for Men

A gift for a man that denotes thought in his comfort and welfare; such a gift is House Slippers. The new styles are abundantly supplied here and should be of unusual interest to men seeking gifts for their friends and women selecting for men, as well. Prices \$1.50 to \$2.50

Men's Pajamas

A complete line of Men's Pajamas, made of splendid materials and trimmed with Braids and Cords. An excellent gift for husband, father or brother. Prices \$1.00 to \$6.50

Suit Cases, Bags and Traveling Accessories

Every man travels more or less and it is a matter of convenience and distinction to have the right kind of baggage. We show a large and well selected stock of Men's high class Suit Cases, Bags, Collar Cases, Tie Cases, Fitted Toilet Cases, etc. Prices range from \$5 to \$45

"De Luxe Quality and Style"

THE best Christmas Gifts for men, so time has proven, are those of a practical nature. Such gifts are offered in the most plentiful variety and the broadest possible range in our Men's Departments, and at prices to meet any plan of expenditure. More elegant distinctive novelties are introduced this season than ever before, and yet in no way do they exceed the bounds of the standards of men's modes; you can't go wrong in selecting a man's gift here. Our Men's Departments are a distinctive source of supply and men find this a pleasant and satisfactory place to shop in seeking attire for themselves and their men friends and relatives—it is just as cordial in its welcome and desirable in its appeal to women wishing to select handsome gifts for their husbands, brothers and friends.

House Coats and Bath Robes

Give a man something that contributes to his comfort and he's doubly appreciative.

We are catering to the holiday demand for House Coats, Smoking Jackets, Lounging Robes and Bath Robes in true Sanger style—splendid assortments, carefully designed styles and exceptional values. The more energetic a man is at business or at sports, the more he appreciates comfort at home. If you really want to please him present him with one of these: A House Coat, Lounging Robe or Bath Robe—we show them in new styles and all new patterns.

Prices Range from \$3.50 to \$30.00

Shirts and Neckwear for Christmas

There isn't a single pattern here that any man wouldn't delight to have. Because the colors, patterns and styles were selected to meet the ideas of the best dressers. All the newest Neckwear shapes and shades are displayed. Shirts—perfect fitting Shirts—in Madras, French Flannels, Crepes, Russian Cords and Silks.

NECKWEAR 50c to \$3.00
SHIRTS \$1.00 to \$7.50



Men's Full Dress Suits and Accessories Make Ideal Christmas Gifts

Nothing makes a finer or more acceptable gift for the particular dresser than Full Dress Apparel. We show the correct styles, colors and patterns in Dress Apparel. We show complete assortments of Men's Dress Gloves, Dress Protectors, Dress Shirts, Jewelry for Dress Wear, Dress Ties, Hosiery and all other accessories.

Men's Full Dress Suits \$32.50
Men's Tuxedo Coats \$15.00
Men's Full Dress Vests and Tuxedo Vests at \$5.00 to \$7.50

A Stylish Overcoat or Suit of Clothes Makes a Most Appropriate Gift from Father to Son or from Son to Father

AND WITH THE GREATER SANGER STOCKS to select from you are sure of the best in Style, Pattern and Quality. We show the finest Overcoats and Suits, produced by the best designers and tailors in this country. Here you have many models to select from, and all the newest patterns of the season. No more sensible gift can be presented than that which is serviceable, and you'll find service—dependable service—in Sanger Suits and Overcoats.

Men's Suits . . . \$12.50 to \$35.00
Overcoats . . . \$12.50 and up

Men's and Boys' Sweaters

We've never sold so many as this year. It may be because the demand is greater or because our stock never was so satisfying. In either case it should suggest our Sweaters as a Christmas gift. Prices \$1.50 to \$7.50

Mufflers and Reefers

These are a most necessary feature of every man's wardrobe. Each season prettier and richer designs and textures are fashioned into Mufflers and Reefers, making this item of apparel one of real dressiness as well as one of comfort. We offer an extensive selection in our present showing. Prices \$1.00 to \$6.50

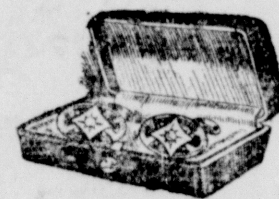
Men's Underwear and Hosiery

For Husband, Brothers or Father, Underwear and Hosiery are pleasing solutions of the gift problem and practical and useful gifts, too. You can always depend upon good qualities and values here—the sort that are made to wear and fit and in all sizes.

Underwear, 50c to \$3.00 a Garment
Hosiery 25c to \$1.50 a Pair

Men's Jewelry

Not the ordinary Jewelry, nor the gaudy, impractical kind, but the kind that real men want and will wear. Unique designs and cuttings in plain Gold or with stone. Not Jewelry Store Holiday prices, but moderately priced at 50c to \$6.50



Prominent Persons in Electrical World Here on Flying Trip Today

On a hurried tour of Texas to see the electrical progress of the state, several high officials of the General Electric company, including probably President Rice of the company, will arrive in Waco for a brief visit sometime today in a special car over the interurban. They will be accompanied by prominent officials in the Southern Traction company. Details regarding the personnel of the party and the length of their visit to this city are meagre, being limited to a telegram sent from President J. H. Strickland of the traction company, now on a business trip in the east, to W. J. Neale, a local director of the company.

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New Building Is Planned on South Sixth Street

Plans are being prepared for the erection by E. E. Thompson of a one-story brick building to be used as a garage, and which will be located on the west side of South Sixth street between Franklin and Mary. The building will be 62x38 1/2 feet, the estimated cost of construction being \$7,000.

Flue Fire Does Little Damage.

A blazing flue in the E. A. Mull residence, 804 North Ninth street, was responsible for a fire alarm yesterday morning. The blaze was extinguished with little damage done.

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TEXAS BUILDING AT PANAMA MAY BECOME GOVERNMENT STABLE

That the Texas building at the Panama-Pacific exposition which is situated on government lands will probably be purchased by the army department and used as a stable for cavalry mounts of the army post at San Francisco, is suggested in a letter received by Mrs. L. B. Black, Tenth and Columbus streets, from her son, who is in the employ of the administrative department of the exposition. The Texas building was one of the prettiest architectural exhibits representing the various states of the Union and was built through public subscription.

Abie Gross, local member of the board of commissioners having the building in charge, was unable to confirm this report last night. Mr. Gross said that he was uncertain as to the disposition of the building but had looked forward to a meeting of the commission when the matter would be settled.

Mrs. Black was a visitor to the exposition recently and spoke enthusiastically of the beauty of the structure and the number of Texans who visited it during the exposition days. So far as is known the only buildings which will be preserved for their architectural beauty are the California building, the Fine Arts building and the horticultural building. It is reported that the fine arts structure will be retained as a museum, and be open to the public from January 1 to May 1 with admission charges.

Dr. Truett Speaker for Lawyers' Lunch Club January 15

The regular bi-weekly luncheon of the Lawyers' Lunch club will not be held today, on account of the decision at the last meeting to postpone further meetings until January 15, on account of the holidays. At the next meeting, January 15, Dr. George W. Truett, pastor of the First Baptist church of Dallas, and one of the most distinguished churchmen of the south, will be the principal speaker.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

(Reported by McLennan County Abstract Company.)
O. F. Hardwick to W. L. Reese, lots 10 and 11, block 8, Turner, Clinton & Turner addition, \$ 362.00
M. C. McClain et al to R. E. Johnson, lot 13, block 20, Highland Place addition, 700.00
T. F. Smyth to T. F. Bush et al, tract on Franklin St., near Seventh St., part of farm lot No. 7, 23,200.00
E. Sweeney et ux to M. L. Enlow et al, 51 acres out of the 1. Galindo grant, 3,000.00
Total \$28,262.00

Local Cotton Receipts.
Local cotton receipts as reported by Sen. Nix, public weigher yesterday, were twenty-two bales. Prices ranged from 10.50 to 11.50, with middling basis bringing 11.25.

Notice.

Waco Lodge No. 92 A. F. and A. M. will confer the Master's degree this evening at 7:30 o'clock, Masonic Temple, corner 8th and Washington. A cordial invitation to visiting brethren.
OSCAR C. GRIFFIN, W. M.
W. F. QUELLE, Sec.

County Court Closes Year at Noon Today

The last term of county court for this year ends today. Judge George N. Denton announced yesterday that the motion docket would be called at 9 o'clock this morning and requests that all attorneys interested be present. The minutes for the term will be signed at noon, the next term beginning January 3.

Attention, Confederate Veterans. Members of Pat Cleburne Camp No. 222, United Confederate Veterans, are hereby notified to attend the regular monthly meeting of said camp in the armory of Company K, Texas National Guard, on Sunday, December 19, 1915, at 3 p. m.

The Daughters of the Confederacy, visiting comrades and the public are cordially invited to meet with us. SECH P. MILLS, Commander. BRADFORD HANCOCK, Adjutant.

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